



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014, ON PAGE 147]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. I ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE
7 RISE. WE'LL BEGIN THE MEETING. ALL RIGHT. I WILL BE DOING THE
8 INVOCATION. WE'LL BE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY
9 STEPHANIE STONE WHO IS WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND
10 VETERANS' AFFAIRS. IF EVERYONE WOULD PLEASE JOIN ME IN AN
11 ATTITUDE OF PRAYER. OH MOST KIND AND GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER,
12 WE COME BEFORE YOU ONCE AGAIN TO GIVE YOU THANKS. WE THANK YOU
13 FOR YESTERDAY, TO THANK YOU FOR TODAY, TO THANK YOU FOR
14 TOMORROW. WE CONTINUE TO ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE OVER THIS
15 MEETING, OVER OUR DELIBERATIONS. AS WE REACH OUT AS THE
16 ULTIMATE SAFETY NET FOR THOSE IN NEED HERE IN LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY. WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE MENTION OF THOSE UP NORTH, THE
18 EARTHQUAKE, CHILE, THE EARTHQUAKE, THOSE IN GRAVE NEED RIGHT
19 NOW, AND INJURY IN OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD, OUR MEN AND WOMEN
20 WHO ARE IN HARM'S WAY PROTECTING US FOR THE LIFE, LIBERTY AND
21 PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS AND THE ABILITY TO HAVE THIS MEETING. SO,
22 AGAIN, GRACIOUSLY WE GIVE YOU THANKS. WANT TO GIVE YOU ALL THE
23 PRAISE AND THE GLORY AND ALL GOD'S PEOPLE SAID, AMEN.

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1 **STEPHANIE STONE:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART
2 AND REPEAT AFTER ME. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IF WE'LL DO
5 THE AGENDA?

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7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,
8 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3,
9 AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM NO. 1-H.
10 ON THIS ITEM WE WILL HOLD FOR A PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 4,
11 PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 # THROUGH 7, ON THESE ITEMS WE WILL
12 HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. ON PAGE 7, ADMINISTRATIVE
13 MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 8 THROUGH 15, ON ITEM NO.
14 9, THIS INCLUDES SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS'S REVISIONS AS
15 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM,
16 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS THIS
17 ITEM. ON NO. 10 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
18 TO HOLD THIS ITEM AND ON ITEM 15 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS
20 UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE
23 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.



1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR,
2 ITEMS 16 THROUGH 18. ON ITEM NO. 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
3 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO. 18,
4 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
5 ITEM. ITEM NO. 17 IS BEFORE YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND ON PAGE 11, MISCELLANEOUS
11 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
12 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
13 AGENDA. ITEM NO. 19-A IS BEFORE YOU.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
16 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING.
19 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH
20 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** POINT OF PRIVILEGE HERE. WE'RE GOING THE
23 CALL ON SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY TO PAY SPECIAL HONOR TO A VERY
24 GOOD FRIEND OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IF I COULD ASK
2 CONGRESSMAN HENRY WAXMAN AND JANET WAXMAN TO JOIN US HERE. MR.
3 CHAIRMAN, THIS IS A BITTERSWEET MOMENT FOR ALL OF US BECAUSE
4 HENRY WAXMAN HAS BEEN AS CLOSE A PARTNER TO THE COUNTY OF LOS
5 ANGELES ON HEALTH AND RELATED ISSUES, ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, AS
6 ANY MEMBER OF CONGRESS IN THE HISTORY OF CONGRESS, IN THE
7 HISTORY OF THIS COUNTY, AND HE'S GOING TO RETIRE AT THE END OF
8 THIS TERM. AND IT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT LOSS TO THE PEOPLE OF
9 OUR NATION, THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTY AND OF COURSE TO THE
10 PEOPLE OF THE DISTRICT HE'S REPRESENTED SO ABLY FOR 40 YEARS.
11 HENRY WAXMAN REPRESENTS CALIFORNIA'S 33RD CONGRESSIONAL
12 DISTRICT WHICH INCLUDES THE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES OF THE WEST
13 SIDE, THE WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND MUCH OF THE SOUTH BAY.
14 HE'S AN ACKNOWLEDGED LEADER ON HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL
15 ISSUES, AND HAS FOUGHT FOR UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE,
16 COMPREHENSIVE MEDICARE AND MEDICAID COVERAGE, TOBACCO
17 REGULATION, A.I.D.S. RESEARCH AND TREATMENT, AIR AND WATER
18 QUALITY STANDARDS, NURSING HOME QUALITY STANDARDS, WOMEN'S
19 HEALTH RESEARCH AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AND AFFORDABLE
20 PRESCRIPTION DRUGS. IN ADDITION TO HIS DOMESTIC POLICY
21 ACCOMPLISHMENTS, HE HAS EARNED THE REPUTATION AS AN EXPERT ON
22 MIDDLE EAST POLICY AND STAUNCH ADVOCATE FOR A STRONG AND
23 SECURE STATE OF ISRAEL AND HAS SERVED AS A CONGRESSIONAL
24 APPOINTEE TO THE UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL COUNCIL,
25 HELPING TO FOUND THE CONGRESSIONAL DEMOCRATIC ISRAEL WORKING



1 GROUP AND THE CONGRESSIONAL TASKFORCE AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM.
2 BEFORE COMING TO CONGRESS HE SERVED THREE TERMS, THIS IS NOT
3 OFTEN MENTIONED, BUT THREE MOMENTOUS TERMS IN THE CALIFORNIA
4 STATE ASSEMBLY, CHAIRING SEVERAL KEY COMMITTEES, INCLUDING THE
5 HEALTH COMMITTEE, IF MY MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECT, AND CARRYING
6 MAJOR LEGISLATION, INCLUDING THE FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES ACT
7 AND A BILL ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR HEALTH MAINTENANCE
8 ORGANIZATIONS IN CALIFORNIA. THAT'S WHAT THE PROCLAMATION
9 SAYS. LET ME JUST SAY A FEW THINGS THAT HENRY HAS HEARD ME SAY
10 IN THE LAST FEW DAYS A COUPLE OF TIMES ALREADY, BUT YOU NEVER
11 TIRE OF IT. YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THE HISTORY OF OUR
12 COUNTRY AND THE HISTORY OF OUR REPUBLIC GOING BACK WELL OVER
13 200 YEARS NOW AND YOU LOOK AT THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS WHO HAVE
14 SERVED IN THAT AUGUST BODY, I DARE SAY THAT THERE ARE FEWER
15 THAN A DOZEN, MAYBE EVEN HALF A DOZEN, CONGRESSMEN WHO HAVE
16 SERVED IN CONGRESS DURING THE HISTORY OF OUR NATION WHO HAVE A
17 RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT AND ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT HENRY WAXMAN
18 HAS. IT WAS MENTIONED KIND OF IN PASSING IN THIS PROCLAMATION,
19 BUT HEALTHCARE, FOR HIS ENTIRE CAREER HE FOUGHT FOR UNIVERSAL
20 HEALTHCARE. AND THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, WHICH WAS APPROVED IN
21 2010 HAD HENRY WAXMAN'S FINGERPRINTS ALL OVER IT. NOT JUST IN
22 2010 BUT IN ALL THE YEARS THAT PRECEDED 2010 WHERE HE WORKED
23 IT AND ADVOCATED FOR IT. ON TOBACCO REGULATION, WE WERE
24 TALKING YESTERDAY, I REMEMBER THE DAYS WHEN I WAS IN COLLEGE
25 WHERE YOU WERE PERMITTED TO SMOKE IN YOUR LECTURE HALL. IN



1 FACT, THE OLD INK WELLS WERE REPLACED-- THIS WAS CONSIDERED
2 PROGRESS AND INNOVATION-- THE INK WELLS WERE REPLACED WITH
3 ASHTRAYS. AND I USED TO BE A TWO-PACK-A-DAY SMOKER AND I CAN'T
4 IMAGINE HOW WE WERE PERMITTED TO DO THIS, TO SMOKE IN CLASS,
5 TO SMOKE IN SEMINARS IN THE OFFICES OF PROFESSORS, TO SMOKE IN
6 THE LIBRARY. THAT'S NO LONGER THE CASE. AND LARGELY BECAUSE
7 HENRY WAXMAN SINGULARLY ADVOCATED TO EXPOSE WHAT TOBACCO DID
8 TO OUR LUNGS AND TO OUR BODIES AND TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
9 AMERICAN PEOPLE UNDERSTOOD WHEN THEY BOUGHT THAT PACKAGE OF
10 CIGARETTES WHAT THEY WERE DOING TO THEMSELVES. I QUIT SMOKING
11 LARGELY BECAUSE I GOT TIRED OF READING THAT WARNING LABEL ON
12 THE SIDE OF THE CIGARETTE PACKAGE. THAT WARNING LABEL, HENRY
13 WAXMAN HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT. LABELING FOOD SO YOU KNOW
14 WHAT YOU'RE EATING, HENRY WAXMAN HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT.
15 CLEANING THE AIR IN LOS ANGELES AND ACROSS THE COUNTRY, HENRY
16 WAXMAN'S FINGERPRINTS ARE ALL OVER THAT. I REMEMBER THE DAYS
17 IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHEN WE WERE NOT PERMITTED TO GO OUT ON
18 HEAVY SMOG DAYS. NO RECESS, NO SOFTBALL, NO KICKBALL, YOU HAD
19 TO STAY INDOORS. BECAUSE THE CITY WAS SO POLLUTED. THE
20 REGULATIONS THAT CLEAN THE AIR THAT CLEAN THE EXHAUST FROM
21 AUTOMOBILES THAT HE HAD TO FIGHT TOUGH SPECIAL INTERESTS IN
22 WASHINGTON TO ACHIEVE, THOSE ACHIEVEMENTS ARE LARGELY HIS. SO
23 AND A LOT OF THEM CAME WITH A PERSON OF THE OPPOSITE PARTY IN
24 THE WHITE HOUSE AND SOMETIMES EVEN WHEN HE WAS IN THE MINORITY
25 IN THE CONGRESS. ONE OF THE MOST SKILLED AND ACCOMPLISHED



1 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS IN THE HISTORY OF THE REPUBLIC, AND WE
2 WERE LUCKY TO CALL HIM OUR OWN. HE'S BEEN MY CONGRESSMAN EVER
3 SINCE HE GOT ELECTED TO CONGRESS. THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY
4 ABOUT HENRY IS FROM THE COUNTY'S POINT OF VIEW, I DON'T KNOW
5 IF YOU'VE EVER BEEN IN THIS ROOM, NOT SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE YOU
6 HAVEN'T BEEN IN THIS ROOM, BUT WHEN WE COME TO YOU, TO YOUR
7 OFFICE IN WASHINGTON OR WHEN WE CALL YOU IN A PANIC, IN AN
8 EMERGENCY AND WE HEARD A RUMOR THAT SOMEBODY WAS GOING TO PASS
9 A REGULATION THAT WAS GOING TO DO US IN, YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE
10 FOR US, YOU ALWAYS HAD OUR BACK, YOU AND YOUR VERY ABLE STAFF.
11 AND TO BE ABLE TO CALL ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL CONGRESSMEN IN
12 WASHINGTON AND ESPECIALLY "THE" MOST POWERFUL CONGRESSMAN ON
13 THE ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO THIS COUNTY, AND TO BE ABLE
14 TO CALL YOU AND GET YOU AND GET RESULTS GAVE US THE KIND OF
15 SECURITY BLANKET THAT ALL COUNTIES WOULD LIKE TO HAVE. BECAUSE
16 YOU'RE OUR CONGRESSMAN, AND BECAUSE YOU CARE ABOUT THOSE WHO
17 ARE ON THE MARGINS OF OUR SOCIETY, ECONOMICALLY AND FROM A
18 SERVICE POINT OF VIEW, AND YOU GET IT, YOU GET WHAT BEING
19 UNINSURED MEANS, WE DIDN'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN IT, WE DIDN'T HAVE
20 TO ARGUE IT, WE DIDN'T HAVE TO LOBBY YOU. WE JUST HAD TO TELL
21 YOU, "HERE'S WHAT WE HEAR, CAN YOU HELP US?" AND YOU ALWAYS
22 DID. AND WITHOUT YOU THERE, NO MATTER HOW ACCOMPLISHED YOUR
23 SUCCESSOR WILL BECOME, IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG TIME BEFORE HE,
24 IF EVER, IS ABLE TO EVEN BEGIN TO FILL ONE OF YOUR SHOES. AND
25 FOR US IN LOS ANGELES AND FOR THE NATION IT WILL BE A GREAT



1 LOSS. SO ON BEHALF OF OUR BOARD AND I'M SURE THE BOARD MEMBERS
2 WILL HAVE SOME THINGS TO SAY, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
3 SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COUNTY,
4 FOR BEING A GREAT CONGRESSMAN TO OUR DISTRICT. IT WAS HENRY'S
5 LEGISLATION THAT PROTECTED THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION FROM
6 BEING SOLD OFF TO PRIVATE DEVELOPERS BACK IN 2008 IN A
7 HERCULEAN EFFORT TO GET THAT DONE. SO YOU'VE BEEN A
8 CONGRESSMAN FOR THE NATION BUT YOU'VE ALSO NEVER FORGOTTEN
9 WHERE YOU CAME FROM. WE'RE ALL GOING TO MISS YOU. THIS IS, I
10 GUESS WE COULD SAY, YOU GOT US BILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR HEALTH
11 CARE AND ALL YOU'RE GOING TO GET IS A LOUSY PROCLAMATION.
12 [LAUGHTER.] BUT THIS PROCLAMATION IS ALL WE CAN GIVE YOU
13 LEGALLY-- [LAUGHTER.] -- BUT IT COMES WITH A GREAT DEAL OF
14 LOVE AND APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE FOR
15 US. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ZEV? [APPLAUSE] (STANDING OVATION).

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST ONE LAST WORD. I WANTED
20 TO SAY A WORD ABOUT JANET WAXMAN, TOO, BECAUSE SHE HAS BEEN IN
21 HER OWN RIGHT A GREAT ADVOCATE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, A PART OF THE
22 WASHINGTON SCENE IN A VERY MEANINGFUL WAY FOR ALL THESE YEARS.
23 WE ALL KNOW THAT IT'S NOT EASY TO BE THE SPOUSE OF AN ELECTED
24 OFFICIAL. BUT THE BEST WAY TO DO IT IS TO CREATE YOUR OWN
25 IDENTITY AND ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES AND DO WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN.



1 AND JANET HAS BEEN THAT KIND OF A PERSON IN WASHINGTON AND
2 HERE AT HOME. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE WITH
3 HENRY AND LET US SHARE HIM WITH YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE THE CONGRESSMAN SAYS A FEW WORDS,
6 I JUST WANTED TO ADD, I'M NOT SURE I COULD ADD OF MORE TO WHAT
7 ZEV SAID, BUT THE CONGRESSMAN WAXMAN HAS BEEN A GREAT FRIEND
8 TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND BEEN A GOOD FRIEND TO ALL OF US. AND
9 AS ZEV HAS MENTIONED, ALWAYS TAKEN OUR PHONE CALLS OR GETTING
10 US A MEETING OR GOING TO WHAT WE NEED TO DO, NO MATTER WHAT
11 SIDE OF THE AISLE. I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OVER THE LAST FEW
12 YEARS OBVIOUSLY TO GET TO KNOW HIM BETTER BECAUSE HE TOOK OVER
13 HALF MY DISTRICT DOWN THERE AT THE SOUTH END AND GOT TO
14 INTRODUCE HIM TO ANOTHER PART OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BUT IT'S
15 BEEN A PRIVILEGE AND HONOR WORKING WITH YOU AND I WISH YOU THE
16 BEST IN RETIREMENT AND ENJOYMENT AND AN INCREDIBLE LIFETIME OF
17 PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THANK YOU.
18 [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO ADD THAT HENRY AND I ARE
21 CLASSMATES. WE GRADUATED FROM EDISON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL MANY
22 YEARS AGO. WE GREW UP IN SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES. AND THEN
23 HE WENT ON TO FREEMONT HIGH SCHOOL. AND THEN WE SERVED IN THE
24 CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE TOGETHER WITH HIS GOOD CLOSE
25 FRIEND AND MY CLOSE FRIEND, HOWARD BERMAN. HOWARD AND I, HE



1 WAS THE CHAIRMAN, I WAS THE VICE CHAIRMAN ON THE SELECT
2 COMMITTEE THAT REFORMED MEDICAL MALPRACTICE INSURANCE SO THAT
3 DOCTORS WERE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO PRACTICE AND WE COULD KEEP
4 OUR HOSPITALS OPEN. SO IT'S GOOD TO SEE HENRY. WE'RE STAYING
5 39, RIGHT? RIGHT. SO CONGRATULATIONS.

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7 **CONGRESSMAN HENRY A. WAXMAN:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISOR
8 YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND TO ALL OF YOU WHO
9 ARE HERE TODAY WHO CHEERED ME AND I HEARD A FEW BOOS, AS WELL.
10 IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO RECEIVE THIS RECOGNITION FROM THE COUNTY
11 OF LOS ANGELES. I'VE ALWAYS ENVIED THE CERTIFICATES THAT COME
12 FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BECAUSE WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE
13 ASSEMBLY AND NOW THAT I'M IN THE CONGRESS, WE NEVER HAD AS
14 BEAUTIFUL A CERTIFICATE OR PLAQUE TO GIVE OUT TO CONSTITUENTS.
15 I COULD PUT SOMETHING IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, FRAME IT
16 AND THAT WAS NEVER QUITE AS ATTRACTIVE AS WHAT THE SUPERVISORS
17 HAVE HAD. I'VE GROWN UP AND LIVED IN L.A. COUNTY MY WHOLE
18 LIFE. IT HAS BEEN A GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO REPRESENT PARTS OF
19 L.A. COUNTY. A GOOD NUMBER OF PARTS OF L.A. COUNTY BECAUSE
20 EVERY 10 YEARS THE DISTRICT HAD BEEN CHANGED. OVER THESE
21 YEARS, ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND I HAVE BEEN VERY CLOSE FRIENDS. AND
22 I'VE ADMIRERD THE JOB HE HAS DONE. AND WHEN HE ANNOUNCED-- HE
23 DIDN'T ANNOUNCE. WHEN HE WAS TOLD HE COULD NOT RUN AGAIN, I
24 DECIDED WHY DO I WANT TO BE IN CONGRESS REPRESENTING THIS AREA
25 WITHOUT ME HAVING IF CHANCE TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH ZEV?



1 THAT'S A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR. SOME TRUTH TO IT. [LAUGHTER.]
2 WITH THE DISTRICT THAT I'M NOW REPRESENTING, I HAVE FOUND IT A
3 GREAT HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH DON KNABE AND
4 REPRESENTING THE SOUTH BAY. IT'S AN EXCITING PART OF L.A.
5 COUNTY WHERE THE AEROSPACE AND DEFENSE INDUSTRY IS SO
6 PROMINENT. IT LEADS THE COUNTRY IN TECHNOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT
7 OF NOT JUST WEAPONS, WHICH IS WHAT PEOPLE THINK OF, BUT
8 TECHNOLOGY TO MAKE OUR COUNTRY THE LEADER IN SO MANY OTHER
9 ENTERPRISES FOR THE FUTURE. AND REMEMBER, THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS THAT I GO FURTHEST BACK WITH IS MIKE ANTONOVICH.
11 WE WENT TO JUNIOR HIGH TOGETHER. AND I LOOKED AT THE OLD
12 YEARBOOK, NOT RECENTLY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE DYNAMO.

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16 **CONGRESSMAN HENRY A. WAXMAN:** GOOD. AND BOY, HE WAS A CUTE KID
17 IN JUNIOR HIGH. HE WAS THIS BLOND KID. I LOOKED THE SAME WAY I
18 DO NOW. [LAUGHTER.] I HAVE FRIENDS WHO TOLD ME THAT I NEVER
19 AGE BECAUSE I ALWAYS LOOKED OLD. [LAUGHTER.] BUT MIKE WAS A
20 GOOD FRIEND IN THOSE DAYS. AND THERE WAS A LONG GAP OF DECADES
21 BEFORE WE RENEWED OUR ACQUAINTANCE. WE DIDN'T QUITE AGREE ON A
22 LOT OF THE ISSUES. BUT I ALWAYS FOUND HIM TO BE A VERY FINE
23 PERSON, INTERESTED WITH WHAT I HAD TO SAY AND WILLING TO HEAR
24 ME OUT BEFORE HE REJECTED WHAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT.
25 [LAUGHTER.] BUT I'M PLEASED THAT YOU'RE HERE AND PAY TRIBUTE



1 TO ME, AS WELL. SO I WILL VALUE THIS CERTIFICATE. I WAS
2 REMINISCING-- I KNOW YOU HAD PEOPLE WITH ALL SORTS OF THINGS
3 THEY WANT TO TALK ABOUT-- BUT I WAS REMINISCING AS I CAME HERE
4 TO THE FACT THAT MY FAMILY GOES BACK IN LOS ANGELES TO 1920.
5 MY UNCLE AL WAXMAN HAD A NEWSPAPER, THE "EAST SIDE JOURNAL."
6 THEY LIVED IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. AND THEN IN THE WEST L.A. AREA IT
7 WAS THE "L.A. REPORTER." AND I DIDN'T KNOW THIS UNTIL I WAS A
8 MEMBER OF CONGRESS. HE HAD PASSED AWAY IN THE '60S. I KNEW
9 HIM, OF COURSE. BUT I DIDN'T KNOW SOME OF THE THINGS HE HAD
10 DONE. BUT HE HAD BEEN APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS, JOHN ANSON FORD, TO THE FIRST SMOKE AND FUMES
12 COMMISSION TO TRY TO SEE WHY WE WERE HAVING THESE AIR
13 POLLUTION PROBLEMS. AND HE THOUGHT IT HAD TO DO WITH A LOT OF
14 THE INDUSTRY PUTTING OUT POLLUTION IN THE AIR. AT THAT TIME,
15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WAS BANNING INCINERATORS AND THOUGHT
16 THEY SOLVED THE PROBLEM. AND MY UNCLE SAID SOME OF THESE ARE
17 REFINERIES CAUSING THE PROBLEM AND OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT.
18 THERE WAS A DRUM ROLL TO FIRE HIM. AND THEY BUMPED HIM FROM
19 THAT COMMISSION. I DIDN'T KNOW THAT UNTIL AFTER I WAS WORKING
20 ON THE CLEAN AIR ACT FOR MANY YEARS. AND THEN I HAD A CALL
21 FROM THE JAPANESE-AMERICAN CITIZEN LEAGUE ASKING IF I HAD A
22 PHOTO OF MY UNCLE. AND I SAID, "WELL, I SUPPOSE SO. I HAVE TO
23 LOOK AT THE OLD FAMILY ALBUMS. WHY DO YOU WANT IT?" AND I WAS
24 INFORMED THAT HE WAS THE ONLY EDITOR IN THE COUNTRY THAT
25 EDITORIALIZED AGAINST THE JAPANESE RELOCATION CAMPS IN LOS



1 ANGELES. AND OF COURSE IN THOSE DAYS, BOYLE HEIGHTS WAS AN
2 AREA WITH A LARGE JEWISH POPULATION, A LARGE JAPANESE
3 POPULATION, A LARGE MEXICAN AMERICAN POPULATION, A LARGE
4 RUSSIAN POPULATION, IT WAS CERTAINLY THE MELTING POT OF THE
5 CITY. SO MY ROOTS GO FAR BACK IN L.A. AND I'VE ALWAYS FELT
6 PROUD TO REPRESENT L.A. AND I'VE LIVED TO SHOW MY BONA FIDES.
7 I WAS BORN IN EAST L.A., I WAS WITH MIKE ANTONOVICH IN SOUTH
8 CENTRAL L.A., I MOVED TO WEST L.A. AND THEN THE DISTRICT MOVED
9 FURTHER WEST AND FURTHER WEST AND SOUTH. SO I COULD WIN ANY OF
10 THE SUPERVISORIAL SEATS. [LAUGHTER.] BUT MY TIME HAS COME.
11 I'VE HAD A GREAT CAREER FOR 40 YEARS, I'M PROUD OF THE
12 ACCOMPLISHMENTS I'VE BEEN ABLE TO ACHIEVE. AND VERY PROUD OF
13 WORKING WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN L.A. COUNTY, WHETHER
14 IT WAS TRANSPORTATION OR VETERANS ISSUES OR THE HEALTHCARE
15 PROBLEMS BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS THE PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT FOR
16 INDIGENT AMERICANS. AND WE HAVE THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, BUT
17 IT'S NOT THE FULL ANSWER. L.A. COUNTY STILL HAS THE TREMENDOUS
18 TASK OF TAKING CARE OF ANYBODY WHO WALKS IN THE DOOR. AND WE
19 STILL HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE UNINSURED BECAUSE THEY ARE
20 UNDOCUMENTED. SO I VALUE THIS AWARD. I VALUE THE FRIENDSHIP
21 AND RELATIONSHIP I'VE HAD WITH THE ELECTED OFFICIALS. I
22 REMEMBER KENNY HAHN. AND I REMEMBER DEBS, SUPERVISOR DEBS. AND
23 SO IF I READ THE HISTORY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I WILL
24 READ IT WITH A RECOLLECTION OF SOME OF THE GREAT CHARACTERS IN
25 L.A. POLITICS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE ONE MORE. IF I CAN ASK GAIL FARBER
3 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS? WE HAD A RECEPTION
4 UPSTAIRS THIS MORNING TO HONOR THE TEAM OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE
5 BEEN PART OF THE SUN VALLEY WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROJECT,
6 WHICH IS REALLY ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING PROJECTS THAT'S
7 GIVEN ME AS OF SATISFACTION AS ANY OTHER IN OUR DISTRICT. AN
8 AREA OF THE COUNTY THAT HAS BEEN HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED FROM
9 EVERY POINT OF VIEW, INCLUDING FLOOD CONTROL. BY THE TIME I
10 GOT HERE, THERE WASN'T ENOUGH MONEY TO DO THE TRADITIONAL
11 FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL, TO DEAL WITH FLOODING ISSUES IN THE
12 NORTH EAST VALLEY. A BUNCH OF PEOPLE GOT TOGETHER, LED BY OUR
13 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TREE PEOPLE, CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
14 AND DEVELOPED AN ALTERNATIVE. AND THAT ALTERNATIVE WAS TO TRY
15 TO CAPTURE THE WATER THAT COMES OFF THE MOUNTAINS IN THE NORTH
16 EAST VALLEY, FILTER IT, RECHARGE IT, RECHARGE THE SAN FERNANDO
17 VALLEY AQUIFER, ACCOMPLISHING SEVERAL THINGS: REDUCING
18 FLOODING IN INTERSECTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN TRADITIONALLY
19 FLOODED, TO RECHARGE THE WATER SUPPLY OF THE REGION EVEN
20 THOUGH THE AQUIFER IS POLLUTED, HOPEFULLY THAT WILL CHANGE,
21 AND DO IT IN A FRACTION OF THE COST THAT IT WOULD HAVE COST TO
22 BUILD A CONCRETE CHANNEL FROM PACOIMA OR FROM ARLETA AND SHUNT
23 IT ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN. THAT PROJECT IS WELL
24 UNDERWAY NOW. IT'S GOT A LONG WAY TO GO. BUT IT'S BEYOND THE
25 POINT OF NO RETURN. AND WE'RE VERY PROUD OF WHAT WE'VE DONE.



1 AND WE'VE BEEN RECOGNIZED, THE COUNTY IS BEING RECOGNIZED FOR
2 THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS IN THE PLATINUM LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT
3 ON THIS PROJECT. AND I WANT TO ASK GAIL IF YOU WILL, BEFORE
4 YOU DO IT, WE'RE GOING TO SWITCH PLACES, I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU
5 TO SAY A WORD. AND I'LL INTRODUCE, YOU INTRODUCE OUR GUEST.

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7 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. REALLY, IT'S AN HONOR TO
8 BE HERE. IT'S THIS PROJECT THAT'S BEING RECOGNIZED IS A REAL
9 LEGACY PROJECT THANKS TO THE VISION AND THE LEADERSHIP AND THE
10 COURAGE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE MEN AND WOMEN OF
11 PUBLIC WORKS WORKING SO MANY YEARS ON THIS PROJECT TO BRING IT
12 TO FRUITION, TO BUILD A SUSTAINABLE SUN VALLEY, A SUSTAINABLE
13 COMMUNITY, HEALTHY RESILIENT COMMUNITY AND HEALTHY WATERSHEDS.
14 AND I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH. I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU,
15 SUPERVISOR. IT'S, AS YOU SAID, IT'S NOT JUST THE RESULT, IT'S
16 THE JOURNEY, AND IT'S A JOURNEY THAT'S GOING TO CONTINUE, AND
17 IT STARTED WITH YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR VISION AND YOUR
18 COURAGE TO REALLY CHANGE THE WAY WE PLAN AND DESIGN PROJECTS
19 HERE IN THE COUNTY. IT REALLY IS A MODEL. THANK YOU TO ALL OUR
20 PARTNERS AND STAKEHOLDERS WHOSE WORK WE COULD NOT DO IT
21 WITHOUT THAT COLLABORATIVE EFFORT. AND THIS AWARD IS A
22 RECOGNITION OF HOW WE'RE GOING TO INTEGRATE AND PLAN AND WORK
23 TOGETHER ON MANY MORE PROJECTS ACROSS THE REGION TO ADDRESS
24 CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN
25 PEOPLE'S LIVES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, GAIL. IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO
3 INTRODUCE BILL BERTERA WHO REPRESENTS THE INSTITUTE FOR
4 SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE OUT OF WASHINGTON, D.C. WHO HAS A
5 RECOGNITION FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN THIS PROJECT.
6 BILL?

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8 **BILL BERTERA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND
9 GENTLEMEN, IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE THIS MORNING TO
10 REPRESENT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INSTITUTE FOR
11 SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT
12 RECOGNIZES AND HELPS PUBLIC AGENCIES ACROSS NORTH AMERICA
13 PRODUCE MORE SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE. THE AWARD THAT WE'RE
14 GOING TO GIVE THIS MORNING IS A PLATINUM LEVEL AWARD, WHICH IS
15 THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF RECOGNITION THAT THE INSTITUTE OFFERS TO
16 SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN PLANNED, DESIGNED AND
17 CONSTRUCTED IN THE MOST SUSTAINABLE WAYS POSSIBLE. THIS IS AN
18 AWARD ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY. IT'S AN AWARD ABOUT
19 INFRASTRUCTURE. BUT IT IS ALSO AN AWARD THAT RECOGNIZES
20 COMMUNITY COLLABORATION AND PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANTLY
21 LEADERSHIP, LEADERSHIP AT THE GOVERNMENT LEVEL IN THE PUBLIC
22 INTEREST. SO IT IS IN BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT I
23 MAKE THIS PRESENTATION THIS MORNING AND OFFER OUR
24 CONGRATULATIONS AND HIGHEST ESTEEM.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BILL, FOR THIS VERY
2 SPECIAL AWARD AND THANK YOU, GAIL FARBER. THAT'S ALL I HAVE,
3 MR. CHAIRMAN.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS MORNING WE ARE RECOGNIZING ANOTHER
6 WINNING L.A. COUNTY SUPERSTARS TEAM IN THE CATEGORY OF
7 "SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS." WE'D
8 LIKE TO WELCOME OUR I.S.D. RADIO TEAM FROM THE INTERNAL
9 SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND JOINING THEM IS CHIEF DEPUTY DAVE
10 CHITTENDEN. THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE SCROLL EARLIER TODAY, BUT
11 USED BY NUMEROUS DEPARTMENTS IN SERVING AS THE COUNTY'S
12 PRIMARY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM DURING DISASTER RECOVERY, THE
13 COUNTY-WIDE INTEGRATED RADIO SYSTEM WAS TRAPPED IN A VERY
14 OBSOLETE RADIO TECHNOLOGY. HOWEVER FACED WITH DIFFICULT FISCAL
15 TIMES, A COUNTY-PAID UPGRADE WAS NOT FEASIBLE. THE I.S.D.
16 RADIO TEAM DESIGNED AND NEGOTIATED AN OPT-OUT CASH-OUT ACCORD
17 TO NOT ONLY COMPLY WITH THE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR REBANDING
18 BUT ALSO PROCURED A \$\$20 MILLION STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY
19 UPGRADE AT ZERO COST TO THE COUNTY. AS A RESULT, WE WERE THE
20 FIRST IN THE WEST UNITED STATES WITH AN F.C.C.-APPROVED
21 UPGRADE. THIS PREPARES THE COUNTY FOR INTEROPERABILITY WITH
22 FUTURE STATE-OF-THE-ART PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEMS. THE I.S.D.
23 RADIO TEAM IS A TRUE REFLECTION OF HOW COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE
24 MEETING THE GOAL OF SERVICE EXCELLENCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL



1 EFFECTIVENESS. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE I.S.D. RADIO
2 TEAM AND SAY A JOB WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **DAVE CHITTENDEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GOOD MORNING, I'M DAVE
5 CHITTENDEN, CHIEF DEPUTY OF I.S.D. JIM JONES, THE DIRECTOR, IS
6 ON VACATION AND HE ASKED ME TO STEP UP ON BEHALF OF THIS TEAM.
7 IAN, CARL, JOHN AND DENNIS LED THE TEAM TO DO EXACTLY WHAT THE
8 SUPERVISOR SAID. THERE ARE ANOTHER 40 OR 50 PEOPLE AT I.S.D.
9 BEHIND THE SCENES STILL WORKING ON THIS. THE DEPLOYMENT FOR
10 THIS SYSTEM GOES FORWARD THROUGH THE REST OF THIS YEAR AND
11 WE'RE HOPEFUL OF BEING WELL IN FRONT OF THE F.C.C.-MANDATED
12 REBANDING EFFORTS BY FEBRUARY OF 2016. A TRULY VALUABLE EFFORT
13 AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION FROM YOUR BOARD AND
14 FROM THE COMMITTEE THAT RECOMMENDED US. SO THANK YOU,
15 EVERYBODY, AND THANKS FOR THE RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.]

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT I'M GOING TO WELCOME MEMBERS OF THE
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION AND METRO AND METROLINK
19 WHO ARE JOINING US TODAY TO PROCLAIM AUGUST 29TH THROUGH
20 SEPTEMBER 28TH AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR DAYS THROUGHOUT LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY. WITH US TODAY FROM THE FAIR ASSOCIATION WE
22 HAVE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, MIKE ORTIZ. WE HAVE BOARD
23 MEMBER TOM SHAY, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. JIM HENWOOD ALONG WITH
24 MICHELLE DEMOTTE AND MICHAEL CHEE FROM METRO. WE HAVE C.E.O.
25 ART LEAHY, JAY FUHRMAN, DON SEPULVEDA AND FROM METROLINK WE



1 HAVE PUBLIC AFFAIRS DIRECTOR JEFF LOOSEGARTEN, AND FRIENDS. I
2 THOUGHT I FELT SOMETHING OVER MY SHOULDER HERE. ANYWAY, THE
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR KICKS OFF THIS FRIDAY, AUGUST 29TH. IT
4 IS THE LARGEST COUNTY FAIR IN NORTH AMERICA, HOSTING MORE THAN
5 150,000 SCHOOL CHILDREN ON FIELD TRIPS AND OVER 1.5 MILLION
6 GUESTS EACH YEAR. THIS YEAR, THE FAIR WILL OFFER DAY AND
7 EVENING ENTERTAINMENT AS WELL AS FLAVOR FOODS AND NEW
8 EXPERIENCES TO DISCOVER. AS THEY'VE DONE IN YEARS PAST,
9 METROLINK WILL PROVIDE TRAIN SERVICE DIRECTLY TO THE
10 FAIRGROUNDS ALLOWING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS TO ENJOY THE FAIR
11 WITHOUT HAVING TO DRIVE. ADDITIONALLY WITH FUNDING SUPPORT
12 PROVIDED BY METRO, METROLINK WILL ALSO PROVIDE 10 LATE NIGHT
13 SERVICE TRAINS FROM THE FAIRGROUNDS RIGHT BACK HERE TO LOS
14 ANGELES UNION STATION, ALLOWING PATRONS MORE TIME TO ENJOY
15 CONCERTS AND OTHER FAIR ATTRACTIONS TAKING PLACE AT NIGHT. SO
16 YOU CAN-- ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, TICKETS, YOU CAN GO ON
17 WWW.LACF.COM. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, IT GIVES ME GREAT
18 PLEASURE AS WE KICK OFF OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR DAYS.
19 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE SHOULD ALSO MENTION THAT THE
22 METRO HAS PROVIDED-- METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY IS
23 PROVIDING FUNDING SO METROLINK CAN RUN LATE NIGHT SERVICE FROM
24 THE FAIRGROUNDS ON THE WEEKENDS.



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DID. I MENTIONED THAT, SO PEOPLE CAN
2 HANG OUT AT THE CONCERTS AND COOL WEATHER OF THE NIGHT.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS, IT'S ALWAYS A GREAT PLEASURE TO BE HERE TO
6 ANNOUNCE THIS YEAR'S LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR. THIS IS YOUR
7 FAIR OUT THERE, FOLKS. WE HOPE YOU COME ON OUT AND ENJOY IT.
8 THIS YEAR WE HAVE IN GREAT FARM THAT WE ARE EXPANDING AND
9 MAKING MORE AVAILABLE TO OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS. WE HAVE A
10 POT POURRI OF CORNUCOPIA OF FOODS HERE THAT WE LEFT UP HERE
11 WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR SAMPLING SO THAT THEY CAN
12 HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE ALL THAT WE ARE DOING IN MAKING OUR FAIR,
13 YOUR FAIR MORE SUSTAINABLE, MORE AFFORDABLE AND MORE
14 ATTRACTIVE THAN EVER BEFORE. JOINING ME, I HAVE OUR CHAIRMAN
15 OF THE BOARD, DR. MIKE ORTIZ, WHO IS ALSO PRESIDENT OF CAL
16 POLY POMONA. HE'S JOINING ME HERE TODAY WITH TOM SHAY, A
17 MEMBER OF OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND I'D LIKE TO INVITE MIKE
18 IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A COUPLE COMMENTS?

19
20 **MIKE ORTIZ:** THE L.A. COUNTY FAIR HAS REALLY HAD A TREMENDOUS
21 CHANGE IN THE LAST FEW YEARS AS WE FOCUSED ON THE LEARNING
22 CENTERS AT FAIRPLEX, SO WE REALLY BECOME A REGIONAL AND A
23 LOCAL ORGANIZATION FOCUSING ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF
24 OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH THROUGH OUR EDUCATION PROGRAMS. SO
25 JUST REMEMBER WHEN YOU COME OUT TO THE FAIR, YOU'RE NOT ONLY



1 ENJOYING THE FAIR BUT YOU'RE ALSO HELPING THE REGION IN TERMS
2 OF OUR EFFORTS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOW I'D LIKE TO INVITE CANDY CARLO
5 FULLER AND HENRY LOZANO OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES AND
6 OTHER MEMBERS OF THE RECOVERY TEAM TO JOIN ME FOR THIS
7 PRESENTATION, HERE TO RECOGNIZE NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH.
8 SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS IMPACT AN ESTIMATED 1 MILLION PEOPLE
9 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY EACH YEAR. ALCOHOL ABUSE, FOR
10 EXAMPLE, IS THE SECOND LEADING CAUSE OF PREVENTABLE DEATH HERE
11 IN OUR COUNTY. EACH YEAR, AT LEAST 2500 PEOPLE DIE OF ALCOHOL-
12 RELATED CAUSES. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT PEOPLE CAN AND DO LEAD
13 REWARDING LIVES IN RECOVERY. THIS YEAR, ON ITS 25TH
14 ANNIVERSARY, THE NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH OBSERVANCE CONTINUES
15 TO IMPROVE LIVES BY RAISING AWARENESS AND EDUCATING OUR COUNTY
16 RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE COUNTY ABOUT THE PREVENTION,
17 TREATMENT AND RECOVERY RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE IN THEIR
18 NEIGHBORHOOD. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO PROCLAIM
19 THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS RECOVERY MONTH THROUGHOUT LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY AND WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL.
21 [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **CANDY FULLER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR KNABE. MY
24 NAME IS CANDY AND I'M AN INDIVIDUAL IN RECOVERY. AND WHAT THAT
25 MEANS IS I HAVEN'T HAD A DRINK OR AN ILLEGAL DRUG IN 28 YEARS.



1 [APPLAUSE.] WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT THAT WE GET FROM
2 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. RECOVERY MONTH IS A VERY IMPORTANT
3 EVENT. IT'S A MONTH-LONG TIME FOR INDIVIDUALS IN RECOVERY TO
4 CELEBRATE THEIR OWN RECOVERY AND TO ALSO SPEAK OUT AND LET
5 OTHERS KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE NEED HELP FROM THIS DISEASE AND
6 THERE IS HELP AVAILABLE. TREATMENT WORKS AND RECOVERY DOES
7 HAPPEN. THERE ARE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WORLDWIDE IN RECOVERY AND
8 WITHOUT US SPREADING THAT WORD, OTHERS WON'T KNOW TO BE ABLE
9 TO GET THE HELP THAT THEY DESPERATELY NEED. SO FOR ANYBODY OUT
10 THERE WHO IS IN RECOVERY, BE PROUD, CELEBRATE AND HELP SPREAD
11 THE WORD. THANK YOU. (APPLAUSE.)

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO
16 INTRODUCE A VERY GOOD FRIEND, CLOSE FRIEND, PHIL BLAZER, WHO
17 IS THE PRESIDENT, C.E.O. OF THE JEWISH LIFE TELEVISION, WHICH
18 IS CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH YEAR IN BROADCASTING, AND THAT'S A
19 LONG TIME AND WE WERE THERE WHEN IT FIRST STARTED. GOD BLESS
20 YOU. PHIL IS THE EDITOR AND PUBLISHER OF THE NATIONAL JEWISH
21 NEWS, WHICH HE FOUNDED BACK IN 1973, FOUNDER OF THE JEWISH OLD
22 RADIO, WHICH HAS BEEN CONTINUOUSLY BROADCASTING AROUND THE
23 GLOBE SINCE 1965. ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT POINTS IN HIS
24 CAREER WAS HIS INVOLVEMENT WORKING WITH PRESIDENT H. W. BUSH,
25 WITH THE RESCUE OF THE 1,000 ETHIOPIAN JEWS FROM REFUGEE CAMPS



1 IN THE SUDAN TO FREEDOM IN ISRAEL. PHIL IS A GOOD FRIEND, A
2 CLOSE FRIEND. HIS SON IS ONE OF THE CLERGY IN THE SANTA
3 CLARITA VALLEY, A RABBI IN THE CONGREGATION IN SANTA CLARITA,
4 WHO HAS BEEN DOWN HERE AS WELL, LEADING US OPENING PRAYER AND
5 I'VE HAD THE

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7 **PHIL BLAZER:** IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY. IT REMINDS US OF
8 HOW IMPORTANT LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS AND HOW IMPORTANT AND LUCKY
9 WE ARE TO LIVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT'S KIND OF AN
10 EASY THING TO SAY IN WORDS AND TEXT BUT IN REALITY WE'RE VERY
11 LUCKY. AS WE APPROACHED OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR COMPANY,
12 J.L.T.V., I STARTED THINKING THE FACT THAT OUR PHONE NUMBER,
13 NOT THE PREFIX BUT OUR PHONE NUMBER, MIKE, HAS BEEN THE SAME
14 PHONE NUMBER SINCE 1965. 786-4000, WHO WOULD GIVE UP A NUMBER
15 LIKE THAT? AND THAT'S THE CONTINUALITY OF JEWISH LIFE IN LOS
16 ANGELES. FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE DODGERS FANS, IF YOU HAVE AN
17 OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO LILAC WAY, IT'S RIGHT BEHIND THE FIRE
18 DEPARTMENT SCHOOL, THERE THERE'S A MONUMENT. YOU CAN'T REALLY
19 NOTICE IT FROM GOING INTO DODGERS STADIUM, BUT I JUST WANTED
20 TO TELL YOU, KIND OF GIVE YOU A PRETEXT OF WHAT'S ON THAT
21 MONUMENT. WHAT IT SAYS IS THAT IN 1856, A CEMETERY WAS HERE, A
22 JEWISH CEMETERY ON THIS SPOT, LATER IT WAS MOVED, BUT THAT THE
23 HEBREW BENEVOLENCE SOCIETY THAT INSTITUTED THIS CHARITABLE
24 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WAS INDEED THE FIRST NONPROFIT
25 ORGANIZATION IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. A GROUP OF EIGHT



1 JEWISH BACHELORS WHO CAME TO LOS ANGELES TO HELP BUILD THIS
2 COMMUNITY, AS MANY OF US LIKE WHETHER A CROATIAN BACKGROUND OR
3 JEWISH OR WHAT HAVE YOU, THIS CITY AND THIS COUNTY WAS BUILT
4 BY IMMIGRANTS. AND WHEN YOU HEARD THE WORDS OF HENRY WAXMAN,
5 YOU HEARD THE WORDS OF ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, ANOTHER GREAT LEADER,
6 YOU HEARD THE BUILDING OF THIS COUNTY BY THOSE WHO WEREN'T
7 BORN HERE. THEY CAME FROM OUTSIDE AND THEY MADE THIS
8 ENVIRONMENT SO BEAUTIFUL. ALL OF US AT J.L.T.V. THANK YOU FOR
9 THIS ATTENTION. THANK YOU FOR THIS FRIENDSHIP WITH MIKE. HE
10 SAYS-- HE GREETES ME WITH THE WORD SHALOM MORE THAN ANYBODY
11 ELSE I'VE EVER MET. AND IT'S A GREAT BLESSING, IT GIVES ME,
12 WHEN YOU SAY THAT, MIKE, IT INVIGORATES ME TO KNOW THAT
13 BESIDES OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY, WE HAVE FRIENDS. IT'S NOT BEEN
14 AN EASY STRUGGLE. MOST OF OUR COMMUNITY HERE, AS I CLOSE IN
15 JUST THIS COMMENT, THIS CONCEPT, THEY BUILT-- HELPED TO BUILD
16 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AFTER WORLD WAR II, AFTER THE
17 HOLOCAUST. THIS COMMUNITY WAS BUILT IN A GREAT PART BY THESE
18 IMMIGRANTS WHO SURVIVED THE NAZIS. AND THEY SURVIVED THE NAZIS
19 AND CAME TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO BUILD THIS COMMUNITY
20 BECAUSE THEY LOVE IT. PLAIN AND SIMPLE. WHETHER REPUBLICAN OR
21 DEMOCRAT, A CONSERVATIVE OR A LIBERAL IT DOESN'T MAKE A
22 DIFFERENT ON THE FIRST LEVEL. IT'S WHO YOU ARE. THANK YOU FOR
23 ALL THE "WHO YOU ARES" AND HAVE A GOOD DAY AND SHALOM.
24 [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE LITTLE 5-YEAR-OLD CHIHUAHUA, LUCY,
2 WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. COME HERE, LUCY. ANYBODY LIKE TO
3 ADOPT A LITTLE SENIOR CITIZEN? THIS IS LITTLE LUCY LOOKING FOR
4 A HOME. 728-4610, PREFIX 562 AREA CODE AND LITTLE LUCY WILL
5 BRING A LOT OF JOY AND LOVE IN YOUR HOME.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S ALSO NATIONAL DOG DAY TODAY.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** EVERY ONE OF OUR LITTLE DOGGIES AND KITTIES
10 WHO HAVE BEEN BEFORE THIS BOARD HAVE BEEN ADOPTED AND SAVED.
11 [APPLAUSE.]

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL BEGIN WITH 1-H.

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15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SO ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
16 ON 1-H AND ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR
17 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
18 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
19 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?
20 THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. SO WE'LL BEGIN TODAY ON ITEM NO.
21 1-H, AND THIS IS THE HEARING TO CONSIDER SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENT
22 TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S ANNUAL PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-
23 '15 TO ESTABLISH FLAT RENTS AT NO LESS THAN 80 PERCENT OF FAIR
24 MARKET RENT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
25 AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO



1 CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED. AND THERE IS ONE SPEAKER ON THIS
2 ITEM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SACHS?

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHY YES, THANK YOU, KNABE. THE AUTHORITY, JUST
7 OUT OF CURIOSITY, OVERSEES THE 88 CITIES IN THE COUNTY? SO
8 THIS FAIR MARKET VALUE IS FOR ALL 88 OF THE INCORPORATED
9 CITIES AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS? OR IS IT JUST HOUSING IN
10 UNINCORPORATED AREAS? I THINK THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE
11 SUNDAY TIMES IN THE REAL ESTATE SECTION ABOUT THE HIGHEST
12 HOUSING COSTS IN THE COUNTRY THAT OCCUR IN L.A. SO I WAS
13 WONDERING, ALTHOUGH I KNOW THAT MY PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL NOT BE
14 APPROVED FOR INCLUSION BY THE BOARD, BUT WHY NOT BASE THE
15 FAIR-- THE FLAT RATES ON MEDIAN INCOME? THEY JUST DID A-- ONE
16 MINUTE, WOW. MEDIAN INCOME, THEY DID A STUDY IN L.A. CITY THAT
17 MEDIAN INCOME IS-- 40 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION IS NOW LIVING
18 BELOW MEDIAN INCOME. SO WHY NOT FLAT RATE BASED ON THAT? AND
19 THEN WHEN IT COMES TO HOUSING ASSISTANCE, ARE YOU GOING TO GET
20 MORE MONEY FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN
21 THE FLAT RATE AND WHAT PEOPLE CAN AFFORD?

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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25 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM NO. 1 ON
3 THE PUBLIC HEARING.

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5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM NO. 1-H, IF YOU'D LIKE TO
6 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE THIS BOARD.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR
13 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS
16 THE HEARING ON ANNEXATION OF VARIOUS PETITIONS TO COUNTY
17 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 10006 AND COUNTY
18 LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT -1
19 UNINCORPORATED IN DIAMOND BAR ZONES. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
20 STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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22 **JAMES CHAN:** MY NAME IS JAMES CHAN AND I AM THE HEAD OF STREET
23 LIGHTING SECTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
24 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO COUNTY
25 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 10006. AND COUNTY



1 LIGHTING DISTRICT L.L.A.-1 UNINCORPORATED IN DIAMOND BAR
2 ZONES, IN THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE
3 TERRITORIES IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED
4 IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF VALINDA, AGOURA, LOS NIETOS AND
5 EAST SAN GABRIEL AND CITY OF DIAMOND BAR. THE CITY OF DIAMOND
6 BAR HAS GRANTED ITS CONSENT AND JURISDICTION. IN MY OPINION,
7 THESE TERRITORIES WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE
8 SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN
9 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT
10 YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX
11 REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

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13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

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17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
18 BOARD, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE
19 PUBLIC HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE
20 ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED AND WE'LL
23 COUNT THE BALLOTS AND COME BACK LATER.

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25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, I'M GOING TO JUMP TO NO. 6.
3 SO WE'LL HAVE A STAFF REPORT ON ITEM NO. 6 FIRST, PLEASE
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5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** I'M SORRY, ON ITEM NO. 6 IF I
6 COULD READ THIS INTO THE RECORD. THIS IS THE HEARING TO
7 CONSIDER THE PROPOSED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL
8 PROGRAM AS MODIFIED AND APPROVED BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL
9 COMMISSION AND AMEND TITLE 22, PLANNING AND ZONING OF COUNTY
10 CODE RELATING TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL
11 IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM. ON THIS ITEM, THERE IS A DEPARTMENT
12 STATEMENT. CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE SPEAKERS
13 ON IT.
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15 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, BOARD MEMBERS.
16 MY NAME IS RICHARD BRUCKNER, DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING I'M
17 JOINED BY JOSH HUNTINGTON AND SHORTLY BY GINA NATOLI OF THE
18 REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF. AND AS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER STATED,
19 BEFORE YOU TODAY IS THE L.C.P. FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
20 AREA, AS MODIFIED, AS SUGGESTED TO BE MODIFIED BY THE
21 CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION. THE PLAN WAS APPROVED BY THIS
22 BOARD FEBRUARY 18TH AND THEN SUBMITTED TO THE COASTAL
23 COMMISSION FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION. THE COMMISSION HELD TWO
24 HEARINGS, ONE ON APRIL 10TH AND ONE ON JULY 10TH, HEARING
25 APPROXIMATELY 9 HOURS OF TESTIMONY AFTER WHICH, WITH SUGGESTED



1 MODIFICATIONS, THEY UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE PLAN. THE PROCESS
2 TO COMPLETE THIS PROCESS IS THAT THE PLAN WITH ITS
3 MODIFICATIONS COME BACK TO THE BOARD. THIS IS VERY TYPICAL OF
4 WHAT HAPPENS WITH LOCAL COASTAL PLANS. IN FACT, IN MARINA DEL
5 REY, WHEN WE BROUGHT FORWARD THE AMENDMENTS TO THE LOCAL
6 COASTAL PLAN FOR MARINA DEL REY, THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 70
7 MODIFICATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND THIS
8 BOARD THEN APPROVED THOSE. MOST RECENTLY IN MARIN COUNTY,
9 WHERE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION RESIDES, THEY HAD
10 SEVERAL MODIFICATIONS GOING BACK TO THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS. THE SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS FOCUS REALLY ON ONE
12 AREA IN PRINCIPLE AND THAT IS EQUESTRIAN ISSUES. BETWEEN THE
13 BOARD CONSIDERATION AND THE COASTAL COMMISSION'S TWO PUBLIC
14 HEARINGS, STAFF WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE EQUESTRIAN
15 COMMUNITY, WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF
16 AND SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS CAME FORTH OUT OF THAT PROCESS. I
17 THINK YOU'LL HEAR TODAY THAT THERE'S BROAD SUPPORT FROM THE
18 EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY FOR THOSE SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS. THE
19 STAFF IS HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE, BUT WE ARE
20 REQUESTING THAT YOU APPROVE THE SANTA MONICA L.C.P. AS-- WITH
21 THE SUGGESTED MODIFICATIONS FROM THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL
22 COMMISSION. AND JUST TO CONCLUDE THE PROCESS, IF THIS BOARD
23 TAKES ACTION TODAY, THE ITEM NEEDS TO GO BACK TO THE EXECUTIVE
24 DIRECTOR JUST TO CONFIRM THAT THE ACTIONS YOU TOOK WERE
25 CONSISTENT WITH THEIR COMMISSION'S ACTIONS. SO IT IS A VERY



1 SIMILAR PROCESS TO WHAT HAPPENED IN MARINA DEL REY. AND WITH
2 THAT I'LL CONCLUDE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY. WE'LL GO
5 TO THE PUBLIC HEARING. FIRST OF ALL, ANNALISE SARVER, I'LL
6 CALL YOU UP IN GROUPS OF FOUR. ERIC PREVEN, ROY SCHLOBOHM AND
7 DON SCHMITZ.

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9 **ERIC PREVEN:** ALL RIGHT. MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN, ONE MINUTE,
10 SIR, ARE YOU JOKING? IS ONE MINUTE FOR THIS HEARING? THAT
11 SEEMS OUTRAGEOUSLY MEAN REALLY. THIS IS A BIG PUBLIC HEARING.
12 OKAY, ONE MINUTE. OUTRAGEOUS. ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
13 DISTRICT 3. THIS IS A CONTENTIOUS ISSUE. I THINK EVERYBODY
14 SUPPORTS THE GENERAL ASPECT OF THE LAND USE PLAN WHICH IS TO
15 PROTECT AND SECURE THIS ENVIRONMENT FOR THE FUTURE. BUT WE ARE
16 TALKING ABOUT A SQUARE MILE. THAT'S WHAT 180 ACRES IS. IT'S
17 LESS THAN A SQUARE MILE. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT RESTRICTING
18 SOMETHING THAT THE VINTNERS AND FOLKS WHO GROW WINE HAVE
19 WORKED VERY HARD TO DEVELOP, NOT DEVELOP IN TERMS OF BRINGING
20 GALLOW, THAT'S A FALSE ASSESSMENT OF WHAT THE PLANS ARE. THE
21 PLANS ARE TO CONTINUE TO GROW IMPORTANT WINE THAT CONTRIBUTES
22 TO THE OVERALL SPECTER OF WINE. NOW I THINK THAT THIS ISSUE
23 HAS BEEN IN FRONT OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND WE'RE USING
24 THE COASTAL COMMISSION'S UNANIMOUS VOTE AS SOME KIND OF AN
25 APPROVAL THAT THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY TO GO. I JUST WANT TO



1 POINT OUT, YOU POINTED OUT THAT THE MARINA DEL REY WAS NEARLY
2 APPROVED BY NEARLY UNANIMOUS. IT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S THE RIGHT
3 THING TO DO. AND I THINK THE RIGHT THING IN THIS PARTICULAR
4 CASE WOULD BE TAKE THIS MATTER BACK TO THE GROUPS LIKE YOU DID
5 ACCOMMODATING THE EQUESTRIANS AND SEE IF THERE'S A WAY THAT A
6 SMALL, CALL IT COMPROMISE COULD BE MADE TO FACILITATE WHAT IS
7 OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING THAT'S IN THE INTEREST OF LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY WINE MAKING.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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12 **ERIC PREVEN:** AND THE HISTORY OF THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHOEVER WANTS TO GO, GO.

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16 **ANNALISE SARVER:** SORRY. YES. AS YOU WERE SAYING, THE
17 EQUESTRIAN, THEY HAD A CHANCE TO RETROACTIVELY GAIN PERMITS
18 WHEREAS A LOT OF THE WINERIES THAT HAVE BEEN THERE FOR 20
19 YEARS ARE NOW AT RISK FOR HAVING TO UPROOT ALL THEIR VINES.
20 AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW IT'S FAIR OR REASONABLE TO ASK THE
21 WINE MAKERS WHO COULD BRING A LOT OF BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY
22 TO, YOU KNOW, NOT ALLOW THEM TO GAIN THEIR PERMIT AND ASK THEM
23 TO UPROOT THEIR VINES WHEN THE EQUESTRIAN WAS ALLOWED TO GO
24 AND RETROACTIVELY GAIN PERMITS. A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE HAD
25 THEIR VINES THERE FOR 20 PLUS YEARS, WEREN'T EVEN AWARE THAT



1 THIS PERMIT NEEDED TO BE ACQUIRED. AND NOW IT'S KIND OF ALL
2 FALLING DOWN ON THEM WHEN THEY REALLY DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO
3 BEGIN WITH.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

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7 **ROY SCHLOBOHM:** HI, MY NAME IS ROY SCHLOBOHM AND WE ARE A
8 RESIDENT IN THE MOUNTAINS IN THE AGOURA HILLS MOUNTAINS. MY
9 FEELING-- FIRST OF ALL, I WANTED TO SAY I REALLY LIKE-- THAT'S
10 THE FIRST TIME I'VE BEEN TO THIS TYPE OF SITUATION AND I LIKE
11 THAT IT ALL STARTED OUT WITH A PRAYER. THAT WAS REALLY COOL.
12 BUT, ANYWAY, WE HAVE A SMALL VINEYARD, LESS THAN AN ACRE. AND
13 IT'S BEEN THERE FOR 18 YEARS. AND THERE'S SOME OF MY NEIGHBORS
14 HAVE THE SAME KIND OF SITUATION. IT'S FOR US, WE PUT THE
15 VINEYARD IN FOR FIRE PROTECTION. WE LIVE IN A VERY HIGH FIRE
16 AREA. AND VINEYARD WAS THE BEST THING TO COMBAT THE FIRE
17 BECAUSE I WAS PAYING A LOT OF MONEY TO KEEP CUTTING THAT BRUSH
18 DOWN. SO THEY WANT TO STOP THE WINE BUT THERE'S AVOCADO GUYS
19 GROWING, THERE'S OTHER TYPE OF STUFF GOING ON AND GROWING. IT
20 JUST SEEMS A LITTLE BIT UNFAIR. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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24 **DON SCHMITZ:** CHAIR KNABE BEFORE YOU START THE CLOCK, I HAVE
25 SEVERAL PEOPLE, IF YOU'D INDULGE ME THAT WOULD LIKE TO GIVE ME



1 SOME TIME, THREE PEOPLE, AND I WILL LIMIT MY TESTIMONY TO
2 THREE, SO I WILL SAVE TIME FOR THE PROCEEDING OVERALL. I COULD
3 GIVE YOU THEIR NAMES AND THEY ARE HERE.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, WHO ARE THEY? AARON? WHO? GO
6 AHEAD.

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8 **DON SCHMITZ:** DEEDEE GOODEN, CARRIE SMART AND FRED GAINES.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU SAY JOHN GOODEN.

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12 **DON SCHMITZ:** DEEDEE GOODEN, CARRIE SMART AND FRED GAINES. I
13 ONLY NEED THREE MINUTES, THAT'S FINE.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOME OF THEM I DON'T HAVE CARDS ON. ALL
16 RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

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18 **DON SCHMITZ:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S THE LAST TIME. NO MORE SHARING OF
21 TIME. ANYBODY, BOTH FOR OR AGAINST.

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23 **DON SCHMITZ:** STOP THE CLOCK. THANK YOU. SUPERVISORS, GOOD
24 MORNING, MY NAME IS DON SCHMITZ I'M HERE BOTH AS A VINTNER AND
25 REPRESENTING THE COASTAL COALITION FAMILY FARMERS. FIRST I



1 WANT TO APPLAUD THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING IN YOUR
2 EFFORTS TO GET A LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. IT IS VERY MUCH
3 NEEDED. HOWEVER, THE PROPOSED BAN ON VINEYARDS-- NEW
4 VINEYARDS-- IS EXTREMELY ILL ADVISED. FIRST THERE'S BEEN A LOT
5 OF RHETORIC OUT THERE THAT NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED. THERE'S NOT
6 GOING TO BE ANY CARVING OFF OR SAWING OFF THE TOP OF RIDGE
7 LINES TO DO A VINEYARD. THERE WILL NOT BE ANY TERRACING OF
8 HILLSIDES TO DO VINEYARDS. IT'S NOT DONE NOW. AND THAT TYPE OF
9 LAND USE PRACTICE IS SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED IN THE LOCAL
10 COASTAL PROGRAM THAT IS BEFORE YOU TODAY. IN FACT, WHEN THE
11 COASTAL COMMISSION PUT AGRICULTURE BACK INTO THE PLAN, THEY
12 PUT IT IN AN EXTREMELY LIMITED AREA. ONLY THE FIRST 100 FOOT
13 OF THE IRRIGATED FUEL MODIFICATION ZONE THAT THERE MUST BE
14 AROUND EVERY EXISTING AND FUTURE HOME OR BUSINESS IN THE
15 PLANNED AREA. THIS IS A PLACE THAT WILL BE CLEARED OF THE
16 NATIVE CHAPARRAL REGARDLESS, WHETHER THERE IS A BAN ON
17 VINEYARDS OR IF YOU PUT VINEYARDS BACK INTO THE PLAN. THE
18 COASTAL COMMISSION SAID YOU CAN HAVE AGRICULTURE IN THOSE
19 AREAS. AND IF YOU HAVE THAT AGRICULTURE, IT MUST BE ORGANIC.
20 SO YOU CAN GROW AVOCADOS. YOU CAN GROW PEACHES, CARROTS, PEAS,
21 ET CETERA, BUT YOU MUST DO IT WITHOUT PESTICIDES AND
22 RODENTICIDES, AND WHAT THAT MEANS, SUPERVISORS, IF YOU PUT
23 VINEYARDS BACK INTO THE PLAN AS THEY RIGHTFULLY SHOULD BE,
24 THEY WILL ALSO HAVE TO BE ORGANIC. THEY WILL ALSO NOT UTILIZE
25 PESTICIDES, HERBICIDES AND RODENTICIDES. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME



1 THAT HAVE STATED THAT VINEYARDS, QUOTE, "SUCK UP WATER." NO
2 QUESTION. THAT WAS A QUOTE FROM THE NEWSPAPERS. I'D LIKE TO
3 POINT OUT TO YOU THAT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER
4 RESOURCES IN 2005 DID A STUDY AND STATED THAT VINEYARDS USE
5 LESS WATER ON A LOWEST ACRE-PER-FOOT BASIS THAN ANY OTHER CROP
6 THAT THEY MONITORED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THEY HAVE
7 EXTREMELY DEEP ROOT SYSTEMS. THEY GO DOWN 21 FEET, AND THEY
8 DON'T USE OF WATER AT ALL. 70 PERCENT LESS THAN OTHER FORMS OF
9 AGRICULTURE. 90 PERCENT LESS THAN TRADITIONAL LANDSCAPING.
10 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO NOTE THAT THIS IS THE SANTA MONICA
11 MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. IT'S NOT YOSEMITE, WHICH
12 IS A NATIONAL PARK. IT'S A RECREATION AREA, AND HALF OF IT IS
13 IN PRIVATE PROPERTY. AND THE RECREATION AREA CHARTER SPECIFIES
14 THAT WE WILL COOPERATE AND COEXIST WITH PRIVATE PROPERTY. AND
15 BEING A RECREATION AREA, THE VINTNERS AND THE WINE TASTING
16 ROOM BRING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE INTO THE SANTA
17 MONICA MOUNTAINS TO GO ON THE WINE TOURS, TO GO TO THE WINE
18 TASTING ROOMS, TO GO TO THE RESTAURANT FEATURING LOCAL WINES.
19 WE JUST GOT OUR FEDERAL A.V.A. THIS MONTH. IT IS AN IRONIC
20 TRAGEDY THAT WE ARE CONTEMPLATING DESTROYING THIS AT THIS VERY
21 MOMENT IN OUR INFANCY [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION IS: HOW DOES AGRICULTURAL
24 PRODUCTS OR PRODUCE THAT'S ALLOWED, WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE



1 BETWEEN THE VINEYARDS BEING DETRIMENTAL, SO DETRIMENTAL THEY
2 HAVE TO BE EXCLUDED WHILE THE OTHERS ARE INCLUDED?

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4 **DAN SCHMITZ:** THROUGH THE CHAIR, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THERE
5 WERE SOME STUDIES THROWN OUT IN TESTIMONY BY HEAL THE BAY AND
6 OTHERS SUPPORTING A BAN ON VINEYARDS. SO WE ASKED DR. DARYL
7 KOUTNIK, HE WAS THE COUNTY BIOLOGIST FOR 14 YEARS, VERY
8 EXPERIENCED MAN, AND HE LOOKED AT THOSE REPORTS. THE FIRST ONE
9 WAS REFERENCED BY-- IT WAS THE SHAH REPORT. THERE WAS A THREE-
10 MINUTE TESTIMONY BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION BIOLOGIST AFTER THE
11 CLOSE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING. HE REVIEWED THAT REPORT. IT DID
12 NOT SAY THAT VINEYARDS ARE MORE DAMAGING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.
13 IT USES THEM AS AN EXAMPLE WITH GLOBAL WARMING THAT
14 AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES MIGHT MOVE FURTHER NORTH AS THE CLIMATE
15 CHANGES. ADDITIONALLY, HEAL THE BAY TALKED ABOUT A STUDY THAT
16 WAS DONE THAT TALKED ABOUT SEDIMENTATION OF THE CREEKS. HE
17 REVIEWED THAT REPORT, AND THE REPORT ACTUALLY TALKS ABOUT
18 IMPERVIOUS SURFACES. AND HEAL THE BAY IN THEIR TESTIMONY SAID
19 THEY DIDN'T WANT VINEYARD ON STEEP SLOPES. WHAT IS BEFORE YOU
20 TODAY WOULD NOT ALLOW VINEYARDS ON ANY SLOPES STEEPER AND 3:1.
21 SO THERE WOULD BE NO AGRICULTURE WHATSOEVER, WHETHER IT BE
22 VINEYARDS OR AVOCADO ORCHARDS ON STEEP SLOPES. AND LASTLY HIS
23 CONCLUSION, DR. KOUTNIK'S WAS, BASED UPON THE ABOVE STUDIES
24 AND SAMPLING OF OTHER RELEVANT LITERATURE, NO CREDIBLE
25 SCIENTIFIC STUDY COULD BE FOUND THAT PROVIDES EVIDENCE THAT



1 VITICULTURE PRACTICES CAUSE GREATER ENVIRONMENTAL HARM THAN
2 ANY OTHER AGRICULTURAL CROP CULTIVATION.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NEXT? DAVID GOMEZ,
5 JAMES PALMER, BARBARA BARRIELLE AND RUTH GOMEZ. BY THE WAY, I
6 DIDN'T MENTION THIS GOING IN BECAUSE MANY OF YOU HAVE BEEN
7 HERE BEFORE, BUT WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE EITHER FOR OR
8 AGAINST. IF YOU'RE IN SUPPORT OF IT, JUST RAISE YOUR HANDS AND
9 LET US KNOW.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONLY IF YOU YOU'RE A RETIRING CONGRESSMAN.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. THAT WAS A PRESENTATION. OKAY.

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15 **BARBARA BARRIELLE:** HI, I'M BARBARA BARRIELLE. I LIVE HERE IN
16 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, BUT I HAVE A SMALL VINEYARD IN SONOMA
17 COUNTY. I THINK IT'S A THRILL FOR MALIBU TO FINALLY RECEIVE
18 IT'S A.V.A. AND A SHAME TO THINK THEY MAY BE LOSING THE FUTURE
19 OF VINEYARDS. IN MY EXPERIENCE, VINEYARD FARMERS ARE SOME OF
20 THE MOST RESPECTFUL FARMERS IN AGRICULTURE. THEY USE VERY
21 LITTLE PESTICIDES OR FERTILIZERS BECAUSE WHAT IS ON THE VINE
22 IS IN THE GLASS. THEY ARE ASTUTE CONSERVATORS OF THE LAND.
23 THEY ARE IN IT FOR LONGEVITY. IT'S DISTURBING THAT GOVERNMENT
24 WOULD INTERVENE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AS IT PERTAINS TO



1 VINEYARDS, BUT NOT AGRICULTURE. PLEASE CONSIDER MONITORING AND
2 OVERSIGHT RATHER THAN FORBIDDING VINEYARDS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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6 **SPEAKER:** WELL, WE AGREE THAT A LAND USE PLAN IS A GOOD THING,
7 WE ARE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THE BAN ON VINEYARDS IN THE SANTA
8 MONICA MOUNTAINS. WE ARE EXTREMELY PERPLEXED BY THE
9 PREJUDICIAL VIEWS OF GRAPEVINES COMPARED TO OTHER CROPS OR
10 EVEN DECORATIVE LANDSCAPING, AS GRAPEVINES TAKE WATERING
11 SCARCELY AND ONLY PART OF THE YEAR AND PREVENT SOIL EROSION.
12 OUR WINE SALES CONTRIBUTE TO THE ECONOMY OF MALIBU, LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE COUNTRY.
14 VISITORS TO THE VINEYARD AREA BRING FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO
15 HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS AS WELL AS MANY OTHER RELATED
16 BUSINESSES. VINEYARDS ARE BEAUTIFUL, HAPPY AND PEACEFUL
17 DESTINATIONS FOR MANY PEOPLE. WHILE WE TRY TO DO EVERYTHING
18 THE RIGHT WAY WITH ORGANIC, NO PESTICIDES, DRIP SYSTEMS AND NO
19 FERTILIZERS AND WE HAVE NO WAY NOW TO LEGALIZE OUR VINEYARD AT
20 THIS POINT IN TIME. WE ARE AFRAID OF WHAT THIS MEANS TO US IN
21 OUR IMPENDING RETIREMENT.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHERE IS YOUR PROPERTY?

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1 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE ON MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY AT THE NORTHERN EDGE OF
2 THE COASTAL ZONE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH SIDE OF MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY ARE YOU ON?

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6 **SPEAKER:** WE'RE ON THE SOUTH SIDE.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT?

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12 **JAMES PALMER:** YES. MY NAME IS JAMES PALMER. I WAS BORN IN LOS
13 ANGELES, GREW UP HERE, IN MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. I VOTE
14 FOR HIM, I THINK EVERYBODY HERE IS DOING A FANTASTIC JOB AND I
15 HAVE A VINEYARD THAT I PLANTED 20 YEARS AGO UP IN THE HILLS OF
16 MALIBU. YOU TALKED ABOUT HISTORY EARLIER. AND WE HAVE HISTORY
17 IN LOS ANGELES THAT GOES BACK TO THE 1830S WHEN THE FIRST
18 VINEYARDS WERE PLANTED. THIS WAS ONE OF THE LARGEST
19 AGRICULTURAL AREAS FOR VINEYARDS IN THE WORLD PRIOR TO
20 PROHIBITION. AND THERE'S A BOOK THAT WAS JUST PUBLISHED,
21 "AMERICAN WINE" WHICH FEATURES THE MALIBU AREA. I WAS VERY
22 FORTUNATE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WINE
23 TASTING, WHICH IS A 75-YEAR-OLD TRADITION HERE IN THE COUNTY.
24 AND I RECEIVED BEST IN CLASS WITH A 95 POINT SCORE ON MY SYRAH
25 THAT I PRODUCED FROM THE VINEYARDS. I ALSO RECEIVED BEST IN



1 CLASS FOR A CABERNET FRANC, A GOLD MEDAL AND OTHER AWARDS.
2 LET'S NOT FORGET THE HISTORY THAT WE HAVE HERE IN THE COUNTY.
3 I OPPOSE THE BAN ON VINEYARDS.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, NEXT?

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7 **DAVID GOMEZ:** I'M DAVID GOMEZ. YOU JUST HEARD FROM MY WIFE
8 RUTH. WE LIVE IN THAT PROPERTY ON MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY. I JUST
9 WANTED TO STATE MY OPPOSITION TO THE BAN ON VINEYARDS. I FEEL
10 THAT GRAPEVINES ARE BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. THERE SEEMS
11 TO BE PREJUDICIAL TREATMENT OF THAT PARTICULAR FRUIT VINE AS
12 COMPARED TO ANY OTHER FRUIT THAT'S GROWN IN THE SANTA MONICA
13 MOUNTAINS THAT'S ALLOWED NOW. I'M JUST PITCHING FOR EQUAL
14 TREATMENT WITH EVERY OTHER AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT. I GUESS I'D
15 LIKE TO ADD THAT BOTH RUTH AND I ARE NATIVE CALIFORNIANS. WE
16 WERE BORN AND RAISED HERE. I'M SECOND GENERATION SAN FERNANDO
17 VALLEY. I GREW UP IN PACOIMA.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ELLIOTT DOLIN, JONAH GOODEN
20 AND JOHN GOODEN. NO, DIFFERENT ONE. IT WAS ONLY ONE GOODEN.
21 THERE ARE TWO OTHERS WHO SIGNED UP.

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23 **JOHN GOODEN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JOHN
24 GOODEN. I AM A 38-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
25 I'M A PROPERTY OWNER AND A TAXPAYER. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO



1 VOICE MY OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED BAN ON NEW VINEYARDS IN
2 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.U.P. THE 1976 COASTAL ACT
3 PRIORITIZES AGRICULTURAL OVER ALL OTHER FORMS OF LAND USE.
4 VINEYARDS ARE AGRICULTURE. NO CREDIBLE SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE HAS
5 BEEN PRESENTED TO PROVE THAT VINEYARDS CAUSE GREATER
6 ENVIRONMENTAL HARM THAN ANY OTHER AGRICULTURAL CROP.
7 THEREFORE, THERE'S REALLY NO REASON WHY THE COUNTY SHOULD
8 PROHIBIT NEW VINEYARDS. VINEYARDS HAVE EXISTED IN THE SANTA
9 MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS. MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE
10 BAN ON NEW VINEYARDS IS DISCRIMINATORY POLICY THAT IF APPROVED
11 WOULD SURELY BE LITIGATED IN THE COURTS. THIS WILL WASTE
12 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF TAXPAYERS' MONEY. YOU HAVE THE
13 OPPORTUNITY TO FIX THIS LEGISLATION NOW. I URGE YOU TO REMOVE
14 THE BAN ON NEW VINEYARDS AND TREAT VINEYARDS LIKE ALL OTHER
15 FORMS OF AGRICULTURE. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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19 **JONAH GOODEN:** I'M JONAH GOODEN AND I'VE BEEN LIVING IN THE
20 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS MY WHOLE LIFE. I SPEND MOST OF MY DAY
21 RUNNING IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND I'VE LEARNED HOW TO
22 FARM THE LANDS WITH MY DAD. THE GRAPES THAT WE GROW USE 90
23 PERCENT LESS WATER THAN TRADITIONAL LANDSCAPING AND 70 PERCENT
24 LESS WATER THAN OTHER AGRICULTURAL CROPS. VINEYARDS HELP
25 REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES BY BREAKING DOWN CO2 AND CERTAIN



1 CARBONS, SO IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP THEM. AND THEY HELP REDUCE
2 NATURAL FIRES AND PROTECT HUMAN LIFE AND PROPERTY. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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6 **ELLIOTT DOLIN:** HI, MY NAME IS ELLIOTT DOLIN AND I'M A RESIDENT
7 OF MALIBU. I HAVE A SMALL VINEYARD CONSISTING OF ABOUT 900
8 VINES ON ABOUT 3/4 OF AN ACRE. THE FIRST YEAR WE PRODUCED
9 WINE, IT WAS A WHOPPING 105 CASES. BUT I UNDERSTAND THE
10 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THIS PART OF THE LEGISLATION AND THE
11 OVERALL PLAN. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS ESSENTIALLY THE
12 SMALL TAIL THAT'S NOT EVEN WAGGING THE DOG. BUT THAT TAIL
13 STILL HAS A RIGHT TO BE ATTACHED TO THE DOG. I DON'T THINK WE
14 SHOULD DISMEMBER IT AND CUT IT OFF AND DISCRIMINATE AGAINST
15 VINEYARDS AS OPPOSED TO ALL OTHER FORMS OF AGRICULTURE. AND,
16 FRANKLY, I DON'T THINK THAT IT WOULD TAKE THAT MUCH TO
17 EFFECTIVELY REGULATE IT TO ACHIEVE AND OVERCOME THE OBJECTIONS
18 THAT WE'VE HEARD STATED. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY OF US THAT
19 WANT TO SEE RIDGELINES CUT OR TERRACED. THERE'S PROBABLY A FEW
20 EXAMPLES OF VINEYARDS THAT DO EXIST THAT WE WOULD HAVE
21 PROBABLY PREFERRED DIDN'T, JUST LIKE SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
22 BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THE REST OF US CAN'T OPERATE
23 RESPONSIBLY. IN MANY AREAS OF CALIFORNIA, LOCAL AND STATE
24 REGULATORY AUTHORITIES--



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME'S UP. THANK YOU. BEFORE WE GO
2 ANY FURTHER ON THIS, ARE THERE ANY VINEYARDS THAT HAVE TO BE--
3 THE EXISTING ONES ARE COVERED, CORRECT?

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5 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** ABSOLUTELY. THE EXISTING ONES ARE COVERED.
6 AND PER OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION STAFF,
7 THEY DON'T KNOW OF ANY THAT WEREN'T PUT IN EITHER BEFORE THE
8 COASTAL ACT THAT WOULD BE NONCONFORMING LEGAL OR ILLEGAL ONES
9 THERE. SO ALL THE FOLKS WHO SPOKE WHO ARE WITHIN THE COASTAL
10 ZONE, OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THEY'RE FINE AND CAN FLOURISH AND
11 CONTINUE.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S THE NEW PIECE YOU'RE STILL TALKING
14 ABOUT?

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16 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THESE ARE NEW ONES THAT THIS REGULATION--

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY WOULD HAVE TO MEET CERTAIN
19 MOUNTAIN-- WHAT IS THAT 3:1 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

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21 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** NEW AGRICULTURE HAS VERY SPECIFIC
22 REQUIREMENTS ON IT.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THAT WOULD APPLY TO ANY PIECE OF
25 AGRICULTURE, NOT JUST GRAPES?



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RICHARD BRUCKNER: CORRECT.

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: SURE.

SUP. ANTONOVICH: A PERSON WHO OWNED THE PROPERTY BUT WANTED TO PUT IN THE VINEYARDS IS GOING TO BE DENIED THAT RIGHT BECAUSE HE OR SHE DIDN'T PUT THEM IN SOONER. BUT THEY MAY HAVE ACQUIRED THAT PROPERTY WITH THE INTENTION OF PUTTING IN IN A VINEYARD AT SOME LATER TIME.

RICHARD BRUCKNER: THAT'S CORRECT. THIS PROVISION HAS BEEN-- WAS IN YOUR FEBRUARY APPROVAL. SO IT'S NOT A NEW PROVISION. IT'S BEEN AROUND FOR A WHILE.

SUP. ANTONOVICH: NO. PRIOR TO THE FEBRUARY. WHAT WE HAVE DONE, GENERICALLY, IS TO PRECLUDE A PERSON WHO OWNS PROPERTY TO PUT IN A VINEYARD AT A LATER TIME?

RICHARD BRUCKNER: MUCH LIKE ANY OTHER ZONING ORDINANCE, YOU'RE CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO FOOTNOTE, BUT AN IMPORTANT FOOTNOTE, THAT THE COMMISSION HAS NOT APPROVED A VINEYARD PRIOR TO THIS FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS. AND THEIR VIEW WAS NOT VERY POSITIVE TOWARD VINEYARDS.



1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF THE PERSON ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY SIX,
2 SEVEN, EIGHT, TEN YEARS AGO OR WHENEVER, THEY'RE BEING DENIED
3 THE RIGHT TO PUT IN A VINEYARD IF THEY DESIRED ONE?

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5 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** ON A GOING FORWARD BASIS, YES.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, SO ISN'T THAT A REVERSE?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S THE CURRENT SITUATION.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T CARE IF IT'S A CURRENT SITUATION. THE
12 POINT IS WE HAVE DENIED PROPERTY RIGHTS TO A PERSON WHO OWNED
13 PROPERTY WHO WANTED TO PUT IN A VINEYARD AS HIS OR HER
14 NEIGHBOR HAD. SO HE OR SHE IS BEING DENIED THAT ABILITY. AND
15 WE ARE AS A GOVERNMENT GIVING, IN MY OPINION, LEGAL CAUSE FOR
16 THEM TO BRING IN A LAWSUIT THAT IS DISCRIMINATORY ACTION. AND
17 THERE HAVE BEEN CASES IN THE COURTS WHERE THE COURTS HAVE
18 RULED IN THE FAVOR OF THE PROPERTY OWNER.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT TOTALLY PROHIBITED. YOU SAID
21 ANY KIND OF AGRICULTURE THAT FALLS WITHIN THE PROVISION OF THE
22 3:1 SLOPE OR WHATEVER IT MAY BE. YOU CAN STILL DO IT.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** VINEYARDS GOING FORWARD ARE PROHIBITED.



1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU CAN PUT IN AVOCADOS GOING FORWARD.
2 CHINESE WHO SAY MEI OEN TI, WHICH IS NO PROBLEM. BUT WE'RE
3 TALKING ABOUT PARTICULARLY ISOLATING ONE PARTICULAR FORM OF
4 AGRICULTURE AND SAYING, YOU NOW HAVE BEEN DENIED THAT RIGHT
5 EVEN THOUGH YOUR NEIGHBOR COULD PUT IN ANOTHER FORM OF
6 AGRICULTURE THAT MAY DISRUPT WATER SUPPLIES OR DISRUPT THE
7 STABILIZATION OF THE SOIL.

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9 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THAT HAPPENS OFTEN WHEN NEW ZONING
10 REGULATIONS ARE PUT IN PLACE. YOU'RE CORRECT, SUPERVISOR, BUT
11 THAT HAPPENS WHEN NEW ZONING REGULATIONS--

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT DOESN'T MAKE IT RIGHT, IS WHAT I'M SAYING.
14 A LOT OF THINGS HAPPEN BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE IT RIGHT. IT SEEMS
15 TO ME IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN PROTECTING INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS
16 WITHIN A LIMIT OF DUE PROCESS, YOU'RE ISOLATING ONE PARTICULAR
17 CROP THAT MAY HAVE LESS DAMAGE TO THE ENVIRONMENT AS THE ONES
18 YOU ARE PERMITTING, WHICH GIVES CAUSE TO A PERSON TO SAY, THIS
19 IS BEING DISCRIMINATORY. AND THEN YOU HAVE YEARS OF LITIGATION
20 AND PEOPLE THAT GET RICH ARE THE LAWYERS.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT I'M GOING TO INVITE UP DAVID
23 SZYMANSKI, LOUISE RISHOFF, TIM I THINK IT'S PUSHING. ILLECE
24 BUCKLEY AND JESS THOMAS. I THINK I'M READING THAT RIGHT?
25 PUSHING IS IT?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PERSHING.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PERSHING. ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

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6 **DAVID SZYMANSKI:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, I WOULD LIKE TO
7 EXPRESS THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE
8 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LAND USE PLAN AND LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION
9 PLAN. THE ENTIRE PLAN IS WITHIN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
10 NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. 36 YEARS AGO WHEN THE RECREATION
11 AREA WAS ESTABLISHED, CONGRESS DECLARED THIS LANDSCAPE WORTHY
12 OF NATIONAL RECOGNITION AND PROTECTION. BUT CONGRESS ALSO
13 CONCLUDED THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT PLAY THE ONLY
14 OR EVEN THE MOST IMPORTANT ROLE IN ITS PROTECTION. IN
15 LEGISLATION, CONGRESS RECOGNIZED THE EFFORTS OF THE ABILITY OF
16 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO PROTECT THE
17 MOUNTAINS. 36 YEARS OF RESEARCH HAS TAUGHT US THAT THE
18 MOUNTAINS ARE A FRAGILE PLACE. MOST OF THE TERRAIN IS STEEP
19 WITH THIN SOILS, PRONE TO LANDSLIDES OR INVASION BY WEEDS WHEN
20 CLEARED. THE PLAN BEFORE YOU STRIKES EXACTLY THE RIGHT
21 BALANCE, ALLOWING FOR THOUGHTFUL AND SOUND PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT
22 THAT WOULD NOT HARM THE PUBLIC STREAMS, LANDS OR VIEWS. WE
23 BELIEVE THAT YEARS FROM NOW THE PLANS BEFORE YOU WILL BE
24 JUDGED AS SIGNIFICANT AS THE CREATION OF TOPANGA AND MALIBU



1 CREEK STATE PARKS, THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY AND
2 THE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. NEXT?

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6 **LOUISE RISHOFF:** GOOD MORNING, LOUISE RISHOFF WITH A STATEMENT
7 FROM STATE SENATOR FRAN PAVLEY. "HONORABLE CHAIR, AS THE STATE
8 SENATOR REPRESENTING ALMOST THE ENTIRETY OF THE SANTA MONICA
9 MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, I'M VERY PLEASED TO SEE
10 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. UP TODAY FOR FINAL APPROVAL.
11 THE PROTECTIONS YOU'RE PUTTING IN PLACE ARE THE PRODUCT OF A
12 LONG AND THOUGHTFUL PUBLIC PROCESS, AND IT IS A PROUD
13 REFLECTION OF THE VALUE THAT THIS BOARD PLACES ON ALL OF THE
14 FRAGILE NATURAL RESOURCES THROUGHOUT THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTY. AS
15 CHAIR OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER,
16 I PARTICULARLY COMMEND YOU ON THE IMPORTANT RESTRICTIONS THIS
17 PLAN PLACES ON THE PROLIFERATION OF VINEYARDS IN THE
18 MOUNTAINS, CAUSING RUNOFF OF CHEMICAL PESTICIDES AND
19 HERBICIDES INTO THE CREEKS AND WATERSHED AND THE HEAVY DEMAND
20 AND OVERDRAFTING OF OUR SCARCE WATER SUPPLY, AS CALIFORNIA
21 FACES AN UNPRECEDENTED AND CONTINUING DROUGHT. THANK YOU FOR
22 TAKING THIS HISTORIC ACTION. SINCERELY STATE SENATOR FRAN
23 PAVLEY."

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT.



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2 **TIM PERSHING:** GOOD MORNING. IT'S TIM PERSHING FOR ASSEMBLY

3 MEMBER RICHARD BLOOM. I'D LIKE TO READ A STATEMENT FOR HIM.

4 "AS THE CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE FOR MUCH OF

5 THE L.C.P. AREA, AS WELL AS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA

6 COASTAL COMMISSION, I AM ACUTELY AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF

7 PROPER ZONING TO PROTECT OUR STATE'S MOST PRECIOUS RESOURCES.

8 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE HOME TO MOUNTAIN LIONS, A

9 RECREATIONAL RESOURCE FOR MILLIONS OF VISITORS EACH YEAR AND

10 LITERALLY THE BACKYARD FOR THOUSANDS OF PROPERTY OWNERS WHO

11 MOVED HERE BECAUSE OF THE AREA'S TIMELESS BEAUTY AND

12 IRREPLACEABLE RESOURCES. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL

13 COASTAL PLAN, AS APPROVED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION, EXPANDS

14 ON EXISTING PRINCIPLES ESTABLISHED IN THE NORTH AREA PLAN AND

15 THE COASTAL ACT. IT IS A RESULT OF SEVEN YEARS OF HARD WORK,

16 INTENSE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND MUCH COMPROMISE. THE PLAN

17 DIRECTLY ASSESSES THE OFTEN CONFLICTING NEEDS OF THE AREA'S

18 VARIED INHABITS AND VISITORS. IT PROVIDES FOR THOSE NEEDS

19 WHILE THE SHARING PROTECTION OF OUR MAGNIFICENT PUBLIC

20 RESOURCES FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. THE L.C.P. RECEIVED YOUR

21 APPROVAL EARLIER THIS YEAR. I STRONGLY URGE YOUR FINAL

22 APPROVAL. SINCERELY RICHARD BLOOM.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1 **ILLECE BUCKLEY:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS ILLECE BUCKLEY WEBER.
2 I'M THE MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS. THE CITY OF
3 AGOURA HILLS CONSIDERS ITSELF THE GATEWAY TO THE SANTA MONICA
4 MOUNTAINS. THE CITY SENT YOU ALL A LETTER ON AUGUST 18TH,
5 2014, AND I WILL JUST SUMMARIZE THAT THE CITY OF AGOURA
6 SUPPORTS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.U.P.'S APPROACH TO
7 RESOURCE PROTECTION, ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE DEVELOPMENT AND
8 RESOURCE BASED RECREATION SUCH AS HIKING AND EQUESTRIAN
9 TRAILS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PRESERVING SENSITIVE
10 HABITAT, PRESERVING SIGNIFICANT RIDGE LINES BY PROHIBITING
11 DEVELOPMENT IN SUCH AREAS, PROVIDING STRICT LIMITS ON SIGNAGE
12 AND NIGHT LIGHTING, PROHIBITING THE ALTERATION AND ARMORING OF
13 NATURAL STREAMS, CONTINUING TO ALLOW RESOURCE-BASED
14 RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADD THAT THE CITY
15 OF AGOURA HILLS HAS RECENTLY PARTNERED WITH THE CITY OF
16 THOUSAND OAKS TO FORM A TOURIST IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TO
17 ENCOURAGE EXTENDED STAYS IN OUR CITY. ONE OF THE TOP DRAWS TO
18 OUR AREA IS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITH ITS BEAUTY AND ITS
19 MANY RECREATIONAL USES. A YES VOTE BY YOU TODAY IN SUPPORT OF
20 THE L.C.P. WILL PRESERVE OUR MOUNTAINS FOR RESIDENTS, AND OUR
21 VISITORS FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?



1 **JESS THOMAS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M JESS THOMAS AND
2 IT'S MY DISTINCT HONOR TO READ INTO THE RECORD THE COMMENT BY
3 ONE OF THE MORE REMARKABLE HUMANITARIANS OF OUR TIME, SHEILA
4 JAMES KUEHL. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
5 SUPPORTING THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN'S L.C.P. THIS PAST
6 FEBRUARY AND ASK THAT YOU VOTE TO GIVE YOUR FINAL APPROVAL TO
7 THE PLAN ON AUGUST 26TH. SINCE YOUR APPROVAL, THE COASTAL
8 COMMISSION HAS HELD TWO HEARINGS AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE
9 DOCUMENT. AS A FORMER STATE SENATOR AND STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER
10 WHO REPRESENTED THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION
11 AREA FOR 14 YEARS AND THE FORMER CHAIR OF THE STATE SENATE
12 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE, I HAVE FOUGHT ALONGSIDE MANY OF
13 YOU TO PROTECT THESE MOUNTAINS. BY APPROVING THE L.C.P. YOU
14 WILL ENSURE THAT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WILL BE PROTECTED
15 NOW AND FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. THIS WILL BENEFIT THE PEOPLE
16 WHO LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS AS WELL AS THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF
17 VISITORS WHO COME THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY TO ENJOY THIS UNIQUE
18 AREA. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SUPPORT OF
19 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN'S L.C.P. THIS PAST FEBRUARY. I
20 WHOLEHEARTEDLY ASK THAT GIVE YOUR FINAL APPROVAL ON TODAY,
21 AUGUST 26TH, SINCERELY, SHEILA.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DOROTHY REIK, GERALDINE
24 ROTHENBERG, EMMA WILBY, KATHY BERKOWITZ WILL BE THE NEXT FOUR.



1 IN THE QUEUE AFTER THESE FOUR WILL BE CARRIE BALTIM, FERN
2 HUDDLESTON, LEE RINGER AND ANN DONEEN.

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4 **DOROTHY REIK:** MY NAME IS DOROTHY REIK. I'M PRESIDENT OF
5 PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, A LARGE
6 DEMOCRATIC CLUB REPRESENTING MOST OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE
7 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, AND WE TOTALLY SUPPORT THIS L.C.P. I'M
8 ALSO APPOINTED TO THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S CENTRAL
9 COMMITTEE BY FRAN PAVLEY AND SHE SUPPORTS THIS. SHE JUST READ
10 INTO IT THE RECORD. I HATE TO SEE A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE
11 THROW A MONKEY WRENCH INTO THIS WHOLE PROCESS THAT HAS BEEN
12 GOING ON FOR SO MANY YEARS THAT ZEV YAROSLAVSKY HAS WORKED ON
13 FOR SUCH A LONG TIME. IT'S A WONDERFUL PLAN. I'VE LIVED IN THE
14 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS IN TOPANGA FOR 41 YEARS. AND I CAN SEE
15 WHAT A LACK OF PLANNING CAN DO. WE FOUGHT LONG AND HARD IN
16 TOPANGA TO KEEP INAPPROPRIATE GROWTH OUT OF THE TOPANGA. WE'VE
17 BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. I'VE BEEN DOWN HERE SO MANY TIMES OVER
18 THE YEARS. FOR 15 YEARS WE FOUGHT ONE PLAN AND WE FINALLY GOT
19 RID OF THAT. WE NEED TO PUT AN END TO THIS SO THAT WE DON'T
20 HAVE TO KEEP COMING DOWN HERE AND FIGHTING OFF ALL THESE
21 INAPPROPRIATE USES OF OUR MOUNTAINS. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?



1 **EMMA WILBY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EMMA WILBY AND I'M A
2 RESIDENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. I ASK YOU TO APPROVE
3 THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM TODAY TO PROTECT THE MOUNTAINS AND
4 WILDLIFE HABITAT IN THE BEST POSSIBLE WAY. MILLIONS OF PEOPLE
5 WHO VISIT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS EACH YEAR WILL VALUE THE
6 ACTION. I THINK THE PLAN OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS OF TREMENDOUS
7 AMOUNT OF WORK HAS BEEN DONE. AND I THINK IT WILL HAVE A BIG
8 IMPACT IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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12 **GERALDINE ROTHENBERG:** I'M GERALDINE ROTHENBERG AND I LIVE IN
13 WEST HILLS. AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY APPROVE THE L.C.P.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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17 **KATHY BERKOWITZ:** YES. MY NAME IS KATHY BERKOWITZ AND I HAVE
18 LIVED CLOSE TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NOW FOR THE LAST 21
19 YEARS. I'M A HIKER, AND I'VE ENJOYED ALL THE TRAIL SYSTEMS.
20 AND I HAVE TO SAY THAT THE VINEYARDS THAT EXIST THERE NOW ARE
21 REALLY UNSIGHTLY. THEY DON'T MATCH THE NATURAL VEGETATION.
22 IT'S VERY INDUSTRIAL-LOOKING. AND I SUPPORT A PLAN THAT
23 PROTECTS THE NATIVE HABITAT, THE SLOPES AND ALL THE OTHER GOOD
24 THINGS THAT THIS PLAN DOES. PLEASE VOTE YES ON THIS L.C.P.
25 THANK YOU.



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SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU, NEXT?

LEE RINGER: I'M LEE RINGER. I AM FOR THE L.C.P. AS IT STANDS. I'M ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAS VIRGINES WATER DISTRICT BUT I'M SPEAKING AS A PRIVATE PERSON. YOU NEED TO PROTECT THE RIPARIAN HABITAT AND THE STREAMS FROM POLLUTION. NEXT YEAR THE TAPPIA TREATMENT PLANT IS COMING UP FOR A NEW PERMIT. THE E.P.A. IS INSTITUTING NEW TESTS, BIOLOGICAL TESTS, WHICH MAY NOT SHOW CORRECTLY THE CAUSE OF THE POLLUTION. IF POLLUTION OCCURS AND IT'S BLAMED ON TAPPIA, IT MAY COST OUR RATE PAYERS BETWEEN 100 AND \$200 MILLION IN A FALSE EFFORT TO CORRECT A PROBLEM THAT ISN'T OURS. SO PLEASE DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. KEEP THE STREAMS CLEAR. AND THAT INCLUDES SEDIMENTATION AS WELL AS CHEMICALS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU. NEXT?

CARRIE BALTIN: I'M CARRIE BALTIN AND I'M PRESIDENT OF THE MONTE NIDO VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTE NIDO VALLEY

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: MA'AM, COULD YOU MOVE CLOSER TO THE MIC. PLEASE SO THAT PEOPLE CAN HEAR YOU OUT THERE?



1 **CARRIE BALTIM:** CARRIE BALTIM, AND I'M PRESIDENT OF THE MONTE
2 NIDO VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
3 THE MONTE NIDO VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, A RURAL VILLAGE
4 OF SOME 375 HOUSEHOLDS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND
5 ACTIVE MEMBER OF LAS VIRGINES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION, VOTED
6 UNANIMOUSLY TO SUPPORT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LAND USE
7 PLAN APPROVED BEFORE YOU ON FEBRUARY 11, 2014. WE CAREFULLY
8 REVIEWED THE L.C.P. AND ENDORSE THE PRIORITY OF RESOURCE
9 PROTECTION OVER DEVELOPMENT AS DOCUMENTED IN THIS PLAN. WE
10 VIEW THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AS A TRULY IRREPLACEABLE
11 TREASURE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO A HUGE URBAN AREA, A TREASURE
12 NOT ONLY FOR THOSE OF US WHO LIVE, VISIT, HIKE AND RIDE HERE
13 TODAY BUT FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS. WE BELIEVE THIS PLAN
14 REPRESENTING SO MUCH EFFORT AND DIVERSE INPUT OVER SO MANY
15 YEARS UPHOLDS THE ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS FOR THE MANDATED
16 PROTECTION OF THE COASTAL ZONE. ALMOST--

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM, YOUR TIME IS UP. OKAY. NEXT?

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20 **ANN DONEEN:** HI, I'M ANN DONEEN. I WAS BORN IN MALIBU MANY
21 YEARS AGO. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE MALIBU DEMOCRATIC CLUB. I LIVE
22 IN THE L.A. COUNTY AREA NEAR MALIBU. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY,
23 I DO APPROVE OF THE PLAN AS IT IS NOW AND WANTED TO SPEAK
24 AGAINST-- IN FAVOR, RATHER, OF THE BAN ON ADDITIONAL VINTNERS,
25 WINERIES AND VINEYARDS ARE A DESTRUCTION OF NATIVE HABITAT.



1 AND THEY ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND
2 I WANT TO URGE YOU TO PASS THE PLAN AS IT IS IN ITS CURRENT
3 FORM AND PLEASE VOTE ON IT TODAY. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD JUST ADD: BECAUSE I
6 NOTICED THE SPEAKER BEFORE YOU, IF YOU HAVE PREPARED WRITTEN
7 COMMENTS AND YOU'RE NOT ABLE TO GET THEM ALL IN, JUST GIVE
8 THEM TO THE SHERIFF THERE AND WE'LL MAKE SURE THEY'RE PART OF
9 THE PUBLIC RECORD. OKAY? ALL RIGHT. NEXT IS KIM LAMORIE, LINDA
10 THOMPSON, PAT HENKEL AND DEBORAH ROTH? THEY WILL BE THE NEXT
11 FOUR SPEAKERS. IN THE QUEUE WILL BE HOLLY KESSLER, REBECCA
12 CATTERALL, STEPHEN FRANTZ AND PAUL CULBERG. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

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14 **KIM LAMORIE:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M KIM LAMORIE AND I'M
15 PRESIDENT OF THE LAS VIRGINES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION. ON
16 BEHALF OF OUR 10,000 HOMEOWNERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND HORSE
17 OWNERS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
18 L.C.P. AND WE URGE YOU TO APPROVE IT TODAY. AFTER SEVEN YEARS
19 OF COLLABORATION, COMPROMISE AND AN UNPRECEDENTED COALITION,
20 WE ARE HEAVILY VESTED IN SEEING THE L.C.P. TO FRUITION, TO
21 BRING BALANCE, CONSISTENCY AND PREDICTABILITY TO ALL
22 STAKEHOLDERS WITHIN OUR COASTAL ZONE. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN
23 MORE THAN 30 YEARS, WE WILL BE ABLE TO WORK DIRECTLY WITH OUR
24 LOCAL GOVERNMENT INSTEAD OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION. LONG
25 OVERDUE. WITHIN YOUR GRASP NOW IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENSURE



1 THAT L.A. COUNTY'S MOST PRECIOUS AND FINITE COASTAL
2 ENVIRONMENT, AND ALL THE WILD AND VULNERABLE WILD THINGS THAT
3 CALL IT HOME ARE PROTECTED FOREVER AND THAT HORSE OWNERS IN
4 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CAN FINALLY THRIVE. IT'S A CLEAR
5 AND INDISPUTABLE WIN/WIN FOR AND IN THE PUBLIC'S BEST
6 INTEREST. IN GRATITUDE WE ASK, MAKE HISTORY TODAY. APPROVE THE
7 L.C.P. AND RESTORE LOCAL CONTROL TO THE SANTA MONICA
8 MOUNTAINS. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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12 **LINDA THOMPSON:** LINDA THOMPSON. I AM VICE PRESIDENT OF THE
13 CALABASAS HIGHLANDS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION. I'M QUOTING FROM
14 AN EDITORIAL BY THE LOS ANGELES TIMES EDITORIAL BOARD, DATED
15 AUGUST 20TH. I THOUGHT IT WAS FABULOUS.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MUST AGREE WITH IT. IF IT WAS
18 FABULOUS?

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20 **LINDA THOMPSON:** YOU THINK? I'M PARAPHRASING. LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY SUPERVISORS HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HISTORY NEXT
22 WEEK. BEFORE THEM WILL BE A MOTION TO GRANT FINAL APPROVAL TO
23 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM, A PAINSTAKINGLY
24 NEGOTIATED AND CAREFULLY BALANCED PLAN THAT WOULD PROTECT THE
25 AREA AND GUIDE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT. THE SUPERVISORS SHOULD



1 APPROVE IT WITH GUSTO. THE PLAN IS THE RESULT OF DECADES OF
2 WORK BY HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE, RESIDENTS IN THE AREA
3 ENVIRONMENTALISTS, EQUESTRIANS, VINTNERS AND REPRESENTATIVES
4 OF VARIOUS GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. LOVE IT. NOW I'D LIKE TO SAY
5 PLEASE CONTINUE TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND PASS THIS FAIR AND
6 CLEAR L.C.P. TODAY. MAKE THIS YOUR PROUD LEGACY.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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10 **DEBORAH ROTH:** MY NAME IS DEBRA ROTH AND I CANCELED EVERYTHING
11 TODAY TO BE HERE TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P. I MOVED TO MONTE NIDO
12 BECAUSE IT'S A BEAUTIFUL AREA, AN EQUESTRIAN AREA, AND I
13 STRONGLY SUPPORT IT AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR COMING. NEXT?

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17 **PAT HENKEL:** MY NAME IS PAT, LAST NAME IS HENKEL. I LIVE IN
18 MALIBU LAKES SINCE 1991. I ENJOY GETTING UP EVERY MORNING AND
19 LOOKING AT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. I'M HERE TODAY TO
20 SUPPORT THE PASSING OF THE L.C.P. IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE
21 BEAUTY OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR MANY TO COME. AND I
22 WANTED TO THANK ALL OF YOU, ZEV AND EVERYONE ON THE BOARD, AND
23 THEN FOR DOING SUCH A WONDERFUL JOB. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH
24 FOR YOUR TIME.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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3 **REBECCA CATTERALL:** HI, I'M REBECCA CATTERALL. I'M AN OVER 30
4 YEAR RESIDENT OF TOPANGA CANYON, AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE
5 L.C.P. I CHANGED MY TALK FOR HERE SEVERAL TIMES. BUT I DO WANT
6 TO GO ON RECORD AS BEING IN SUPPORT OF IT. AND IF I HADN'T
7 BEEN FAMILIAR WITH IT, OF LISTENING TO THE PEOPLE WHO FIRST
8 SPOKE ABOUT THE VINEYARDS, I WOULD ASSUME THAT ALL VINEYARDS
9 WOULD HAVE TO BE RIPPED OUT. I KNOW THAT'S NOT TRUE. I KNOW
10 THIS IS FOR NEW VINEYARDS, AND I KNOW THAT WE ALL FACE
11 REGULATIONS WHENEVER WE GO INTO BUILDING. WE MAY NOT LIKE
12 THOSE REGULATIONS, BUT WE UNDERSTAND THEY'RE FOR THE COMMON
13 GOOD. SO I WOULD SUPPORT AND I WOULD URGE YOU TO MAKE HISTORY
14 TODAY TO VOTE FOR THE L.C.P. WOULD LOVE IT TO SEE A UNANIMOUS
15 VOTE, BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT PROBABLY WON'T HAPPEN. BUT PLEASE
16 GO ON RECORD FOR BEING IN SUPPORT OF AN EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT
17 WHERE WE DON'T HAVE TO GO TO TWO PLACES FOR GETTING PERMITS.
18 IT'S RIDICULOUS IF YOU'RE A HOMEOWNER IN THE COASTAL
19 COMMISSION. AND I KNOW WE ALL WANT THAT TO CHANGE. SO PLEASE
20 SUPPORT THE L.C.P. THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, ZEV.

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22 **HOLLY KESSLER:** I'M HOLLY KESSLER. I'M A RESIDENT AND
23 EQUESTRIAN OF SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF
24 OF RUTH GERSON, PRESIDENT OF RECREATION AND EQUESTRIAN
25 COALITION WHO WANTED VERY MUCH TO BE HERE TODAY BUT



1 UNFORTUNATELY HAD PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS THAT PREVENTED IT. IT
2 IS IMPORTANT TO PASS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. AS
3 PRESENTED AND WITHOUT FURTHER MODIFICATIONS. IT IS NOT ALWAYS
4 EASY TO HEAR BOTH SIDES OF AN ISSUE THAT HAS DIFFERING VIEWS.
5 EQUESTRIANS VIEW THEMSELVES AS STEWARDS OF THE LAND IN SANTA
6 MONICA MOUNTAINS AND WE PLAN TO CONTINUE BE PART OF A
7 COLLABORATIVE EFFORT TO PROTECT THOSE RESOURCES IN THE
8 NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. IN THE PRIOR MONTHS, THERE HAVE BEEN
9 A MYRIAD OF MEETINGS WITH CALM AND HEATED DISCUSSIONS AND
10 COMPROMISES AND SOME SOLUTIONS THAT HAVE RESOLVED SOME OF THE
11 MOST DIFFICULT ISSUES. OF COURSE, THE L.C.P. IS NOT PERFECT
12 FOR ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS, BUT IT IS A WORKING DOCUMENT THAT WE
13 CAN LIVE WITH SO THAT EVERYONE CAN GO FORWARD WITH THEIR LIFE
14 TO AMEND THEIR PROPERTY AND ENJOY THEIR HORSES. IT WILL BE
15 MOST BENEFICIAL FOR EQUESTRIANS TO BE ABLE TO DEAL WITH LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY TO HANDLE THEIR BUILDING PERMITS AND PROBLEMS.
17 YOUR SUPPORT WOULD BE MOST APPRECIATED BY THE EQUESTRIAN
18 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE SINCERELY RUTH GERSON.

19
20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF WE COULD HAVE RUTH'S LETTER AS PART
21 OF THE RECORD. NEXT?

22
23 **STEPHEN FRANTZ:** MY NAME IS DR. STEPHEN FRANTZ, I'M AN
24 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PATHOBIOLOGIST AND A RECENT TRANSPLANT
25 HERE FROM WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS. AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU, AND



1 OTHER PEOPLE HAVE SAID THIS, THAT AMONG OTHER REASONS PEOPLE
2 MOVE HERE, MYSELF INCLUDED, IS BECAUSE OF THE ABUNDANT
3 ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND BEAUTY. THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN
4 WILL PROTECT THAT RESOURCE NOW AND SUSTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL
5 QUALITY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. I ASK THAT YOU PLEASE SUPPORT
6 THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN THAT WILL BENEFIT ALL OF US, WHETHER
7 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY OR ELSEWHERE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

10

11 **PAUL CULBERG:** MY NAME IS PAUL CULBERG I WOULD LIKE TO CEDE MY
12 TIME TO THE BOSS, LEAH CULBERG.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. [LAUGHTER.]

15

16 **PAUL CULBERG:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE WELCOME. I WAS GOING TO SAY "YES,
19 DEAR," BUT I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS APPROPRIATE.

20

21 **PAUL CULBERG:** THAT'S MY JOB. [LAUGHTER.] ALL RIGHT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE BOSS. LEAH CULBERG IS
24 NEXT. STEPHANIE ABRONSON. MARY WIESBROCK AND CYNTHIA MAXWELL.
25 THOSE WILL BE THE NEXT FOUR SPEAKERS. IN THE QUEUE WILL BE



1 JOSEPH ROSENDO, FRED KLEINZWEIG, NINA WOODSON AND SARAH
2 SIKICH. GO AHEAD.

3
4 **LEAH CULBERG:** LEAH CULBERG. I LIVE IN A CANYON SURROUNDED BY
5 VINEYARDS WHICH MUST BE WATERED MUCH OF THE YEAR. LOCAL WATER
6 DISTRICTS DON'T HAVE AN AGRICULTURAL RATE, SO THERE IS NO
7 INCENTIVE FOR THE OWNERS TO WATER THEIR VINES WITH MUNICIPAL
8 WATER. INSTEAD, THEY HAVE ALL DRILLED WELLS, ACCESSING OUR
9 LOCAL AQUIFER FOR INEXPENSIVE WATER. ONE LOCAL VINEYARD OWNER
10 HAS DRILLED 2,000 FOOT DEEP WELLS. THAT'S LIKE PUTTING A PAIR
11 OF STRAWS DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF OUR CANYON TO SUCK EVERYTHING
12 OUT. BESIDES DRILLING WELLS, OUR NEIGHBOR, SADDLEROCK RANCH,
13 HAS ACCESSED ANOTHER WATER SOURCE. THEY DAMMED THE HEAD WATERS
14 OF A CREEK AND SO HAVE DRIED UP AN ENTIRE WATERSHED. OUR WELL
15 HAS NOW DROPPED MORE THAN 100 FEET IN ONE YEAR. OUR ORGANIC
16 VEGETABLE GARDEN IS GONE BECAUSE WATERING IT WAS A LUXURY WE
17 COULD NO LONGER AFFORD. IT'S THE FIRST YEAR THAT WE HAVEN'T
18 HAD FRESH GREENS FROM OUR GARDEN. WE'VE ALWAYS HAD OUR OWN
19 SPRINGTIME ARTICHOKE AND SWISS CHARD YEAR ROUND. NOW I HAVE
20 TO PAY A PREMIUM FOR ORGANIC PRODUCE. THE IMPACT TO THE
21 VINEYARDS HAS AFFECTED BOTH OUR FINANCES AND LIFESTYLE. SOME
22 LIKE THE VINEYARDS BECAUSE THEY THINK THEY WILL HELP CONTROL
23 THE SPREAD OF WILDFIRE. BUT IF THE VINEYARDS ARE ALLOWED TO
24 DRY UP LOCAL WATER SHEDS, THE WILDFIRE POTENTIAL WILL
25 INCREASE. WITH THE GROUNDWATER DEPLETED, THE CHAPARRAL WILL



1 BECOME EVER BROWNER AND MORE WATER PARCHED. AND IF OUR WELLS
2 GO DRY, THERE WILL BE NO WATER TO FIGHT A FIRE WHEN IT COMES
3 TO OUR DOORSTEPS. ISN'T IT TIME FOR L.A. COUNTY TO DEVELOP A
4 WATER POLICY FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS? PLEASE HELP BY
5 PASSING THE L.C.P. FOR MALIBU AS A FIRST STEP. THANK YOU.

6
7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

8
9 **MARY WIESBROCK:** MARY WIESBROCK, CHAIR, SAVE OPEN SPACE SANTA
10 MONICA MOUNTAINS. SAVE OPEN SPACE SUPPORTS THIS L.C.P. THE
11 COASTAL ZONE CONSISTS OF A NATIONAL PARK, THE SANTA MONICA
12 MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS
13 MORNING'S L.A. TIMES ARTICLE FORGOT ABOUT THAT IMPORTANT FACT.
14 YOUR RESIDENTS, L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE PART OF THE 35
15 MILLION VISITORS ANNUALLY TO THIS NATIONAL PARK MAKING IT THE
16 MOST VISITED NATIONAL PARK IN THE NATION. THE ECONOMY OF LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY BENEFITS FROM THE FACT THAT THIS COASTAL ZONE
18 HOSTS THE NATIONAL PARK. SAVE OPEN SPACE HAS ALSO PUT INTO OUR
19 PREVIOUS LETTER THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THREE MAP CHANGES
20 FOR A SPECIFIC 31-ACRE PROPERTY, THE STOKES PROPERTY. THIS
21 PROPERTY HAS BEEN DESIGNATED HIGH PRIORITY DESIGNATION BECAUSE
22 IT CONTAINS TWO HIGHLY SENSITIVE RESOURCE AREAS, AN OAK
23 WOODLAND AND STOKES CREEK. STOKES CREEK IS A CRITICAL
24 WATERSHED.



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM YOUR, TIME IS UP. IF YOU DO HAVE
2 WRITTEN, IF YOU WANT TO SUBMIT THAT AS PART OF THE RECORD, THE
3 SHERIFF WILL PICK THAT UP. THANK YOU. OKAY. NEXT?

4
5 **CYNTHIA MAXWELL;** HELLO MY NAME IS CYNTHIA MAXWELL AND I'M
6 PRESIDENT OF THE COLD CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL. WE SUPPORT THE
7 APPROVAL OF THIS L.C.P. MANY OF US IN THE COLD CREEK COMMUNITY
8 HAVE BEEN PROTECTING THESE MOUNTAINS FOR DECADES. IT REMAINS
9 UNIQUE AND BEAUTIFUL BECAUSE OF THESE EFFORTS. THIS L.C.P. IS
10 A HUGE STEP IN CONTINUING THE PROTECTION OF THESE MOUNTAINS, A
11 TRUE GEM FOR CALIFORNIA. THIS L.C.P. IS FOR THE PROTECTION OF
12 THE NATURAL RESOURCES WHICH SHOULD BE FOREMOST. IT IS UNFAIR
13 FOR SMALL VESTED INTERESTS TO TRY TO SCUTTLE THIS PLAN AT THE
14 LAST MOMENT. WE ARE VERY MUCH IN SUPPORT OF THE L.C.P. AS IT
15 IS WRITTEN.

16
17 **>>SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

18
19 **STEPHANIE ABRONSON:** MY NAME IS STEPHANIE ABRONSON. I LIVE IN
20 MONTE NIDO. I AM AN EQUESTRIAN AND A STAKEHOLDER IN THIS
21 MOUNTAINOUS AREA. THERE'S ONE POINT THAT MUST BE MADE AT THIS
22 TIME. WE CAN ALWAYS DRINK WINE. BUT IF THERE IS NOT WATER TO
23 DRINK FIRST? SCIENCE AND NATURE ARE TALKING TO US, NOT
24 WHISPERING, THAT WE ARE IN A MAJOR DROUGHT. TAKE NOTICE OF THE
25 MAJOR EARTHQUAKE IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. WATER, OR, RATHER,



1 THE LACK OF WATER IN GROUND IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE CAUSES OF
2 THAT EARTHQUAKE. I HAVE NEVER BEFORE SEEN COLD CREEK GO
3 COMPLETELY DRY IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD OF MONTE NIDO. WE ARE ALSO
4 GOING TO BE IN FOR MORE AND MORE EARTHQUAKES. HOPEFULLY FOR US
5 THERE WILL BE A SERIES OF SMALL QUAKES TO RELIEVE THE PRESSURE
6 BELOW US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

9

10 **FRED KLEINZWEIG:** MY NAME IS FRED KLEINZWEIG. I'M A RESIDENT OF
11 AGOURA HILLS. I'M IN FAVOR OF THE PLAN IN GENERAL. AS A MEMBER
12 OF THE COMMUNITY WHO'S SEEN FIRES COME THROUGH THE CANYONS
13 MANY TIMES, THE IDEA THAT THERE WOULD BE CONTROLLED
14 AGRICULTURAL USE TO THE LAND SEEMS VERY POSITIVE. THERE DOES
15 SEEM TO BE SOME KIND OF-- I GUESS I'M THE SPECIAL INTEREST
16 GROUP THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, BECAUSE THERE SEEMS TO BE
17 SOME KIND OF LIMITATION TO VINEYARDS. I WOULD SAY I DON'T
18 UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT MY MAJOR POINT IS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO
19 MAKE CERTAIN THAT EXISTING OWNERS WHO HAVE VINEYARDS AREN'T
20 IMPACTED NEGATIVELY AND THAT THAT HAS TO BE A PIECE OF THIS
21 LEGISLATION SPELLED OUT IN DETAIL SO THAT EVERYBODY CAN SEE
22 IT. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

25



1 **JOSEPH ROSENDO:** GOOD DAY. MY NAME IS JOSEPH ROSENDO. I'M PAST
2 PRESIDENT AND PRESIDENT COMMUNITY LIAISON, CHAIR FOR THE
3 TOPANGA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I'M ALSO MEMBER OF THE TOPANGA
4 CANYON BOULEVARD, HIGHWAY 27 SCENIC HIGHWAY PROJECT WHICH IS
5 WORKING TO GET TOPANGA CANYON BOULEVARD DESIGNATED AS A SCENIC
6 HIGHWAY BETWEEN MULHOLLAND AND P.C.H. AND BOTH OF THOSE DUTIES
7 COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER BECAUSE WHILE OUR CHAMBERS AND ITS 200
8 MEMBERS ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORTS BUSINESSES IN TOPANGA AND
9 THROUGHOUT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, WE ALL KNOW THAT OUR
10 GREATEST RESOURCE AND PRODUCT, IF YOU WILL, IS THE SCENIC
11 BEAUTY AND THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT THAT MAKES THE SANTA MONICA
12 MOUNTAINS AND TOPANGA CANYON, UNDISTURBED, UNCHANGED SCENIC
13 BEAUTY. WE URGE THE PASSAGE OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
14 LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

15
16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

17
18 **SARAH SIKICH:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SARAH ABRAMSON SIKICH.
19 I'M THE SCIENCE AND POLICY DIRECTOR FOR HEAL THE BAY AND I'M
20 ALSO A RESIDENT OF TOPANGA AND LIVE IN THE AREA OF THIS PLAN
21 AND ENJOY IT. I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS FOR THE PAST SEVEN
22 YEARS AND I'M PLEASED HOW FAR IT HAS COME. THE L.C.P.'S BEEN
23 WELL NEGOTIATED, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE MANY DIFFERENT
24 STAKEHOLDER PERSPECTIVES AND WE STRONGLY SUPPORT IT AND URGE
25 ITS APPROVAL TODAY. I'D LIKE TO FOCUS MY COMMENTS ON THE



1 VINEYARD PIECE. AS YOU POINTED OUT CORRECTLY, THE L.C.P.
2 ALLOWS FOR EXISTING PERMITTED VINEYARDS. IT JUST WOULD
3 PROHIBIT NEW VINEYARDS IN THE AREA. I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT
4 TO KEEP IN MIND. WE DO A LOT OF WATER QUALITY MONITORING IN
5 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. AND IN THE MALIBU CREEK WATER SHED
6 ALONE, 14 DIFFERENT STREAMS ARE LISTED AS IMPAIRED UNDER THE
7 CLEAN WATER ACT FOR OVER 20 POLLUTANTS, MANY OF WHICH ARE
8 IMPAIRED FOR NUTRIENTS AND SEDIMENTATION. OUR PARTNERS AT
9 PEPPERDINE HAVE ALSO FOUND THAT STREAM HABITATS IN NEWTON
10 CANYON, WHICH IS JUST DOWNSTREAM VINEYARDS ALONG CANAAN AND
11 MULHOLLAND HAVE BEGUN TO FILL UP WITH SEDIMENT, THREATENING
12 IMPORTANT AMPHIBIAN HABITATS. THE 3:1 SLOPE IS STILL PRETTY
13 STEEP AND YOU HAVE TO THINK ABOUT SCALE. IT TAKES A LOT OF
14 VINES TO GROW ENOUGH TO PRODUCE WINE.

15
16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK-- MR. ANTONOVICH HERE, I'D LIKE TO
17 ASK YOU A QUESTION.

18
19 **SARAH SIKICH:** OH, SURE.

20
21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU EXPLAINED BRIEFLY THE IMPACT THE
22 VINEYARDS HAVE. HOW WOULD THAT COMPARE TO AN AVOCADO TREE OR A
23 TOMATO PLANT OR IF I PLANTED ZUCCHINI? BY FUEL MODIFICATION
24 ZONE, IN TERMS OF SEDIMENTATION AND OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL
25 IMPACTS?



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2 **SARAH SIKICH:** SO WHEN LOOKING AT THE VITICULTURE DEVELOPMENT
3 SO FAR IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, THERE'S MUCH EXPOSURE OF
4 SEDIMENTS ON RELATIVELY STEEP SLOPES BETWEEN THE ROWS, AND
5 THAT'S WHERE WE'VE SEEN SEDIMENTATION. I CAN'T COMMENT ON
6 NECESSARILY THE OTHER TYPES OF AGRICULTURE, BUT I AM A BIT
7 CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSAL TO ALLOW FOR VINEYARDS IN THE
8 FUEL MODIFICATION ZONE BECAUSE THAT ZONE IS VERY CLOSE TO
9 ROADWAYS AND IF SEDIMENT IS RUNNING OFF OF THOSE AREAS BECAUSE
10 OF THE EXPOSURE BETWEEN VINES, THAT'S GOING TO CONVEY THE
11 RUNOFF RIGHT INTO STORM DRAINS AND DOWN INTO OUR CREEKS AND
12 INTO THE OCEAN, SO I AM CONCERNED BY THAT PROPOSAL.

13
14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

15
16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

17
18 **NINA WOODSON:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
19 NINA WOODSON. I'M AN EIGHT YEAR RESIDENT OF TOPANGA WHERE I
20 MOVED TO RAISE MY DAUGHTER, CLOSE TO NATURE. SHE'S AN
21 EQUESTRIAN AND I URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON THE SANTA MONICA
22 MOUNTAINS L.C.P. THAT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME, EFFORT, PLANNING
23 AND CONSENSUS BUILDING HAS GONE INTO AND I THINK IT'S A GREAT
24 WAY TO PRESERVE THE PRECIOUS RESOURCES FOR EVERYONE. THANK
25 YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT FOUR THOMAS HIX, JOSEPH POW OR
3 POWE, NANCY STEELE, JOHN SUWARA.

4

5 **TOM HIX:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY
6 NAME IS TOM HICKS, I'M THE MANAGING MEMBER OF MALIBU INSTITUTE
7 PROJECT IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
8 L.C.P. WE THINK THE STAFF HAS DONE A PHENOMENAL JOB OF WORKING
9 WITH ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS. AS PART OF OUR PROJECT WE'RE GIVING
10 450 ACRES OF DEDICATED OPEN SPACE OF NATIVE CHAPARRAL. WE
11 THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO PROTECT THIS RESOURCE. THANK
12 YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15

16 **JOHN SUWARA:** MY NAME IS JOHN SUWARA AND I LIVE IN CALABASAS.
17 AND MY BOSS, JOANNE AND I, STRONGLY SUPPORT THE L.C.P. WE'VE
18 LIVED THERE FOR CLOSE TO 40 YEARS. AND WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE
19 TO BE ABLE TO MOVE INTO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND WOULD
20 LIKE TO SEE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS PRESERVED WHERE OUR
21 CHILDREN GREW UP AND WHERE OUR GRANDCHILDREN SPENT TIME. THANK
22 YOU.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? STACY SLEDGE-BALDINO.
25 ROGER PUGLIESE. KATHERINE PEASE. JOAN YACOVONE. AND IN THE



1 QUEUE WILL BE DONALD WALLACE, ROBERT PALMER, JEANNE WALLACE
2 AND HAROLD HELSLEY. GO AHEAD.

3
4 **STACY SLEDGE-BALDINO:** HI, MY NAME IS STACY SLEDGE AND I AM A
5 15-YEAR RESIDENT OF TOPANGA AND I SERVED ON THE TOPANGA TOWN
6 COUNCIL AS A VOLUNTEER NOW FOR ABOUT 14 YEARS. I CURRENTLY
7 SERVE AS PRESIDENT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL. AND I'M HERE TODAY ON
8 BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE YES FOR THE
9 L.C.P. WE ARE VERY MUCH IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROGRAM AND PLAN.
10 WE APPRECIATE THE FACT-- WE APPRECIATE MANY THINGS OF THIS
11 PLAN, BUT WHAT WE REALLY APPRECIATE IS THE PROTECTION OF OUR
12 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

15
16 **ROGER PUGLIESE:** ROGER PUGLIESE FROM THE TOPANGA ASSOCIATION
17 FOR SCENIC COMMUNITY. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND ZEV AND
18 HIS ENTIRE STAFF FOR THEIR TOTAL DEDICATION TO THE SANTA
19 MONICA MOUNTAINS. HE'LL BE MISSED. THEN I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO
20 COMMEND THE WARRIORS WHO ALL STAND BEHIND ME AND SIT BEHIND ME
21 IN REFERENCE TO THE PROTECTION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.
22 THESE ARE TIRELESS WORK PEOPLE WHO CARE NOTHING MORE THAN THE
23 PROTECTION OF THE MOUNTAINS. THE TOPANGA ASSOCIATION FOR
24 SCENIC COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO FULLY SUPPORT THE ADOPTION OF
25 THE L.C.P. OUR MEMBERSHIP REPRESENTS SEVERAL HUNDRED RESIDENTS



1 IN TOPANGA. THE TIME TO DO THIS IS NOW. YOUR OWN 4-1 VOTE WAS
2 TO APPROVE. THE COASTAL COMMISSION VOTED TO APPROVE. NOW BACK
3 TO YOU FOR THE FINAL APPROVAL. THE TIME IS NOW. I'M A 30-YEAR
4 RESIDENT OF TOPANGA CANYON.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7

8 **KATHERINE PEASE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
9 KATHERINE PEASE, I'M THE WATERSHED SCIENTIST WITH HEAL THE
10 BAY. WE'RE AN ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION WITH 15,000 MEMBERS
11 AND WE ARE HERE TODAY TO OFFER OUR SUPPORT FOR THE SANTA
12 MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM AND URGE THE BOARD TO
13 APPROVE THE L.C.P. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS RECREATION IS
14 THE LARGEST URBAN NATIONAL PARK IN THE COUNTRY, AND CONTAINS
15 UNRIVALED AND IRREPLACEABLE BIOLOGICAL AND HABITAT DIVERSITY,
16 PROVIDING RECREATION AND ENJOYMENT FOR MILLIONS OF PEOPLE.
17 HEAL THE BAY HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
18 SINCE 1998 THROUGH OUR CITIZEN SCIENCE STREAM TEAM PROGRAM.
19 THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, WE HAVE DOCUMENTED THE DEGRADATION OF
20 THESE PRECIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES THROUGH WATER POLLUTION,
21 HARDENING OF STREAM BANKS, SPREAD OF INVASIVE SPECIES AND
22 PROLIFERATION OF AGRICULTURAL USES. WE'RE HAPPY THAT THE
23 L.C.P. WILL ADDRESS MANY OF THESE ISSUES, THROUGH REGULATION
24 AND LIMITATION OF AGRICULTURE AND EQUESTRIAN USES, THE
25 PROHIBITION OF HARDENING OF STREAM BANKS AND PREVENTING



1 POLLUTION AND INVASIVE SPECIES. IN SUMMARY, WE SUPPORT THE
2 L.C.P. IT'S BEEN OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. AND WE URGE YOU TO FOLLOW
3 AS YOU DID IN FEBRUARY IN THE COASTAL COMMISSION DID AND
4 APPROVE THIS LONG OVERDUE L.C.P. THANK YOU.

5
6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

7
8 **JOAN YACAVONE:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M JOAN YACAVONE.
9 AS A 44 YEAR RESIDENT OF LIBERTY CANYON IN AGOURA HILLS, I
10 STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF THIS L.C.P. AS THE FINAL PIECE
11 FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE OAK WOODLANDS, THE SCENIC VIEW SHED
12 AND THE NATURAL HABITAT OF SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITHOUT ANY
13 FURTHER DELAY. I COMPLIMENT TO COUNTY STAFF ON THEIR WORK ON
14 THIS PROJECT. IT'S A LONG TIME IN COMING. ONE THING, THERE'S A
15 LOT OF PEOPLE OUT IN THE AUDIENCE THAT HAVE NOT CHOSEN TO FILL
16 OUT SPEAKER CARDS AND I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THEM RAISE THEIR
17 HANDS, JUST SO YOU CAN SEE.

18
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** STAND IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED A SPEAKER
20 CARD. IF YOU SIGNED A SPEAKER CARD DON'T. YOU HAVEN'T? THERE'S
21 TWO OF THEM. I'M JUST KIDDING YOU. THERE'S MORE, THERE'S MORE.
22 [LAUGHTER.]

23
24 **JOAN YACAVONE:** THERE'S MORE. ANYWAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, NEXT?

2

3 **HAROLD HELSLEY:** SUPERVISORS, STAFF MEMBERS, I'M HAL HELSLEY, A
4 50-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE COLD CREEK COMMUNITY AND A PAST MEMBER
5 OF THE REGIONAL L.A. COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR
6 13 YEARS. I SUPPORT THE L.C.P. FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.
7 THIS PLAN HAS GONE THROUGH A LOT OF PUBLIC INPUT. IT HAS BEEN
8 A LOT OF LONG MEETINGS WITH THE COMMUNITY. IT HAS HAD THE
9 PROFESSIONAL INPUT FROM THE STAFF OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING
10 COMMISSION. AND IT HAS THE PROFESSIONAL INPUT FROM THE COUNTY
11 SUPERVISOR AND IT'S BEEN A LONG PROCESS INVOLVING THE
12 COMMUNITY. NOW IS NOT THE TIME FOR A SMALL INVESTED GROUP TO
13 TAKE AND TO CAUSE A PROBLEM WITH THIS TYPE OF PLAN. THIS IS A
14 COMMUNITY PLAN. AND IT IS ONE THAT HAS BEEN LONG IN PROCESS,
15 HAS BEEN ARDUOUS. AND THERE HAS BEEN PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITY TO
16 HAVE INPUT IN THIS. THIS IS A GREAT DAY FOR THE CITIZENS OF
17 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WHEN YOU PASS THIS PLAN.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, HAL. NEXT?

20

21 **JEANNE WALLACE:** I'M JEANNE WALLACE, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE
22 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS TRAILS COUNCIL. OUR BOARD AND
23 MEMBERSHIP CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P. WE LOOK FORWARD TO
24 WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, GINA NATOLI, RICHARD BRUCKNER, TO



1 EDUCATE OUR MEMBERS FOR BEST PRACTICES AND MAKE THIS AN EASY
2 TRANSITION. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, NEXT?

5

6 **ROBERT PALMER:** MY NAME IS ROBERT PALMER. AND IN THIS ROOM, I
7 GUESS I'M-- EVEN THOUGH SHE PASSED AWAY A YEAR AGO, I'M STILL
8 KNOWN AS LINDA PALMER'S HUSBAND. WE LIVED IN THE SANTA MONICA
9 MOUNTAINS FOR 40 YEARS AND RAISED OUR CHILDREN THERE AT THE
10 SAME ADDRESS. AND AS REGARDS PROPERTY OWNERS' RIGHTS, YOU
11 KNOW, EVOLUTION IS NOT OVER, IT'S STILL GOING ON. AND PROPERTY
12 RIGHTS AS WELL AS SOME OF OUR OTHER ASSUMPTIONS OF WHAT WE
13 CALL OUR "RIGHTS" ARE BEING REFINED SO THAT OUR CHILDREN'S
14 CHILDREN AND THEIR CHILDREN, OUR PROGENY, DO NOT INHERIT A
15 WASTELAND. WE SUPPORT THE L.C.P., THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

18

19 **DON WALLACE:** MY NAME IS DON WALLACE. I'M HERE REPRESENTING
20 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS EQUESTRIANS, WHO STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
21 LOCAL COASTAL PLAN. I CAN REMIND MY VINTNER FRIENDS AND THE
22 BOARD THAT THIS IS NOT THE END ALL AND BE ALL. THIS IS THE
23 START OF A PROCESS OR HOPEFULLY THE MIDPOINT OF A PROCESS. BUT
24 IT DOES NOT END AT YOUR ADOPTION OF THIS PROGRAM. THERE IS A
25 CAREFULLY NEGOTIATED WAY TO AMEND THIS PLAN AND THERE IS A



1 CAREFULLY CONSIDERED PLAN THAT THIS PLAN IS REVIEWED EVERY
2 FIVE YEARS. SO NOTHING IS DEAD. NOTHING IS FOREVER FORECLOSED.
3 BUT THE EQUESTRIANS AND OTHERS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
4 HAVE CAREFULLY PUT THIS DOCUMENT TO THE TEST AND WE NEED THIS
5 PLAN NOW.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **DON WALLACE:** THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GINGER DAMON. ED CORRIDOR. JOHN
12 BERTOLLI. PRISCILLA LEE. AND THE NEXT FOUR IN THE QUEUE WILL
13 BE DAN HANRAHAN, KIAN SHULMAN, PAT HEALY AND NANCY HELSLEY.

14

15 **GINGER DAMON:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS GINGER DAMON AND I WANT
16 TO-- I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE L.C.P., THE SANTA MONICA
17 L.C.P., AND I ECHO MANY OF THE WORDS THAT HAVE BEEN SAID HERE
18 BEFORE. I WANT TO THANK YOU, MR. ZEV YAROSLAVSKY FOR THE WORK
19 THAT YOU'VE DONE ON THIS. AND AGAIN I'M HERE IN FAVOR AND
20 SUPPORT OF. THANK YOU. AND I HOPE YOU ARE, TOO.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

23

24 **ED CORRIDORI:** MY NAME IS ED CORRIDOR. I LIVE IN AGOURA HILLS
25 AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P. I THINK THE EVIDENCE



1 PRESENTED TO YOU, THE SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE, IS OVERWHELMING. I
2 THINK THE PLAN HAS BEEN VERY, VERY CAREFULLY CONSIDERED. AND I
3 URGE YOU TO ADOPT IT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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7 **JOHN BERTOLLI:** GOOD MORNING. I'M JOHN BERTOLLI. I'M A TOPANGA
8 RESIDENT. I'M ALSO A BUILDER, I'M A DEVELOPER, I'M A
9 CONSULTANT. I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS L.C.P. BECAUSE IT IS
10 WHAT'S RIGHT FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. IT'S THE RIGHT
11 THING TO DO. AND I DO LOVE A GOOD GLASS OF WINE. I LOVE IT.
12 AND I DO LOVE VINEYARDS. I GREW UP IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
13 AMONGST THEM. I ENJOYED THEM IMMENSELY. THAT BEING SAID, I
14 SIMPLY DON'T THINK THAT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE THE
15 PLACE FOR VINEYARDS. THEY FEEL OUT OF PLACE TO ME THERE. AND I
16 THINK THAT WE HAVE AN INCREDIBLE, SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENT AND
17 GREAT NATURAL RESOURCES. SO I UNDERSTAND THE DESIRE FOR THE
18 VINEYARDS. I JUST DON'T THINK IT'S THE RIGHT PLACE FOR THEM. I
19 THANK ZEV, HIS WHOLE STAFF, RICHARD AND HIS STAFF FOR ALL
20 THEIR HARD WORK ON THIS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND PLEASE PASS
21 IT TODAY.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1 **PRISCILLA LEE:** I'M PRISCILLA LEE. I LIVE IN CALABASAS, AND I
2 STRONGLY URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE L.C.P. TODAY BY YOUR VOTES.
3 AND I KNOW THAT THERE ARE SOME SPECIAL INTERESTS WHO ARE
4 TRYING TO DERAIL THE PROCESS, BUT OUR COMMUNITY AND PEOPLE
5 NEAR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS REALIZE THAT WE'RE SPEAKING
6 NOT JUST FOR OURSELVES BUT FOR THOSE FUTURE GENERATIONS. THANK
7 YOU SO MUCH.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

10

11 **NANCY HELSLEY:** I'M NANCY HELSLEY AND I'M A DIRECTOR WITH THE
12 RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.
13 MANY PEOPLE DO NOT UNDERSTAND OR KNOW THAT RESOURCE
14 CONSERVATION DISTRICTS WERE CREATED BY EXTENSION BY THE
15 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN EACH STATE AND THEY ARE CHARGED WITH THE
16 LOCAL PROTECTION AND INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC IN TERMS OF
17 NATURAL PROTECTION OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE AREA. LAST
18 NIGHT AT OUR MEETING, WE TALKED ABOUT THE MEETING TODAY AND
19 INDEED WE'VE ALREADY PUT A LETTER IN. AND WE WANT IN
20 PARTICULAR TO KNOW THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED IT AND WE WANT TO
21 ALSO KNOW THAT-- OR LET YOU KNOW THAT THE INTEREST, ONE OF THE
22 STRONG INTERESTS WE HAVE ARE, AS THE HEAL THE BAY PERSON SAID,
23 FUEL MODIFICATION ISSUES ON THE LAND. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?



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2 **PAT HEALY:** MY NAME IS PAT HEALY AND I HAVE TWO POINTS I'D LIKE
3 TO MAKE. VINEYARDS ARE BIG MONEY MAKERS AND HAVE THE POTENTIAL
4 TO EXPAND EXPONENTIALLY, CHIPPING AWAY AND DESTROYING FRAGILE
5 HABITAT AND RESOURCES. THE OTHER POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE IS THE
6 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS SERVE AS A RETREAT FROM NORTHERN LIVES
7 SO PEOPLE CAN RETURN TO THE CITY LIFE REFRESHED AND RENEWED.
8 SO PLEASE PASS THE L.C.P. AS DRAFTED. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, NEXT?

11

12 **KIAN SHULMAN:** HELLO, I'M KIAN SHULMAN REPRESENTING POISON FREE
13 MALIBU. THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE SUMMARIZES THIS INCREDIBLE
14 VALUABLE AREA. THE MEDITERRANEAN ECOSYSTEM OCCURS ONLY IN FIVE
15 RELATIVELY SMALL AREAS AROUND THE PLANET. THE FIVE
16 MEDITERRANEAN REGIONS HAVE BEEN HIGHLY FAVORED AND IMPACTED BY
17 HUMAN HABITATION, AGRICULTURE AND RECREATION. AS A RESULT THIS
18 ECOSYSTEM, WHICH ONLY OCCURS IN 2 PERCENT OF THE EARTH'S TOTAL
19 AREA, IS ONE OF THE MOST HIGHLY ALTERED IN THE PLANET. THIS
20 HIGH DEGREE OF URBANIZATION ALONG THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
21 COASTLINE HAS RESULTED IN THE TOTAL LOSS OF SIGNIFICANT
22 NATURAL AREAS. THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION 203 STUDY OF
23 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ALSO TELLS THIS STORY. IN THE EARLY
24 1980S, IT WAS ESTIMATED THAT 85 TO 90 PERCENT OF THE ORIGINAL
25 EXTENT OF THE COASTAL SAGE SCRUB IN CALIFORNIA HAS BEEN



1 DESTROYED. LOSSES SINCE THAT HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANT AND
2 PARTICULARLY SEVERE IN THE COASTAL ZONE. HOW CAN WE IMAGINE
3 DISTURBING EVEN ONE MORE SQUARE INCH OF OUR PRECIOUS AND
4 UNIQUE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ECO SYSTEM? ACRE BY ACRE,
5 THERE'S SOME GOOD REASON TO DESTROY A BIT MORE OF OUR NATURAL
6 LANDS. IT IS WAY PAST TIME OF THE POINT WHERE ANY MORE LAND
7 CAN BE SACRIFICED. PLEASE PASS THE L.C.P. TODAY.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT FOUR ARE SIBYL BUCK. TOM
10 FORD. JAMES GRASSO. BOBBY SHRIVER. IN THE QUEUE WILL BE MARK
11 PERSSON, SUSAN MANNERS. PAUL APODACA AND STEVE BERNAL. THOSE
12 ARE IN THE QUEUE. GO AHEAD.

13

14 **JAMES GRASSO:** MY NAME IS JAMES GRASSO. I'M A 21 YEAR RESIDENT
15 OF TOPANGA. I SERVE ON A NUMBER OF BOARDS AND GROUPS,
16 VOLUNTEER IN THE CANYON. I ENJOY WINE AS MUCH AS EVERYONE
17 ELSE. I BUILT A HOME THERE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITH
18 PERMITS. I APPRECIATE MY SUPERVISOR FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT'S
19 SUPPORT OF THIS. AND I WOULD URGE YOU TO PLEASE PASS THIS
20 TODAY.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

23

24 **STEVE BERNAL:** MY NAME IS STEVE BERNAL. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF
25 MALIBU FOR 17 YEARS. I HAVE CONSIDERED MYSELF AN AVID



1 CONSERVATIONIST-- ENVIRONMENTALIST, CONSERVATIONIST FOR
2 MOST OF MY LIFE. FIRST AS AN EAGLE SCOUT AND THEN AS A
3 HOMEOWNER WHO PRIDES HIMSELF ON REDUCING MY FAMILY'S CARBON
4 FOOTPRINT. I HAVE SOLAR PANELS ON MY HOME, MY CAR IS A HYBRID.
5 AND WITH THAT SAID, I AM ESPECIALLY PROUD FOR THE PAST SEVEN
6 YEARS I'VE BEEN FARMING ORGANIC GRAPES USING BIODYNAMIC
7 PRINCIPLES ON MY PROPERTY. THE VINEYARD USES LESS WATER TODAY
8 THAN OUR LAWN DID BEFORE WE REMOVED IT. OUR VINEYARD PROVIDES
9 A FIRE BREAK FOR OUR HOME WHILE PROTECTING OUR SLOPE FROM
10 EROSION. THE COVER CROPS BETWEEN THE ROWS PROVIDE AND
11 INSECTARY AND SHELTER TO BENEFICIAL INSECTS. WE DON'T USE
12 PESTICIDES, HERBICIDES OR ANY CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS. YOU CAN
13 GROW GRAPES IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITHOUT DAMAGING THE
14 AREA AROUND YOU IF YOU CHANGE THE RULES ON HOW YOU GROW.
15 THEREFORE I'M OPPOSED TO THE BAN ON VINEYARDS.

16
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

18
19 **TOM FORD:** YES, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TOM FORD, I'M THE
20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BAY FOUNDATION. IN SHORT, WE ARE IN
21 SUPPORT OF THE ADOPTION OF THE L.C.P. AND I WANTED TO STATE
22 THAT, PARTICULARLY PROUD OF THE AMOUNT OF PROCESS THAT THIS
23 HAS GONE THROUGH. I THINK IT'S BEEN THOROUGH, FAIR, DUE
24 CONSIDERATION FOR THINGS AND THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PLAN THAT
25 I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT IS THAT WE DO SEE THIS MARRIAGE OF THE



1 PEOPLE, THE SPACE AND THE ENVIRONMENT THAT WE ALL LOVE AND
2 APPRECIATE UP THERE IN THE MOUNTAINS REALLY CODIFIED VERY
3 NICELY IN THE PLAN, AS IT'S WRITTEN. I'M ESPECIALLY
4 APPRECIATIVE OF THE APPROACHES TOWARD BIO ENGINEERING RATHER
5 THAN CHANNELIZATION. THAT THAT APPROACH IS GOING TO GIVE US
6 THE BEST LIKELIHOOD FOR SUCCESS IN FLOOD MANAGEMENT RATHER
7 THAN FAULTY ATTEMPTS I THINK WELL ILLUSTRATED IN THE PAST 100
8 YEARS OF FLOOD CONTROL IN THIS COUNTRY. THAT APPROACH BEING
9 EXPANDED TO OUR BEACHES IS ALSO VERY, VERY APPRECIATIVE OF
10 FOLKS THAT I WORK WITH AND MUCH OF THIS JIVES WITH THE
11 APPROVED MEASURES IN OUR BAY RESTORATION PLAN WHICH HAS BEEN
12 ADOPTED REPEATEDLY OVER THE YEARS BY OUR SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN
13 BAY RESTORATION COMMISSION. THANK YOU.

14
15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? GO AHEAD.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** I'M AFTER YOU.

18
19 **MARK PERSSON:** MY NAME IS MARK PERSSON, I'M THE EXECUTIVE
20 DIRECTOR FOR THE MALIBU CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A CHAMBER THAT
21 HAS BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF A COASTAL PROGRAM FOR THE SANTA MONICA
22 MOUNTAINS AND UNINCORPORATED MALIBU FOR MANY YEARS. WE OWE
23 MUCH GRATITUDE TO OUR SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY FOR HIS
24 NUMEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND OUR
25 COMMUNITY. THE CHAMBER WOULD LIKE TO AGAIN VOICE OUR SUPPORT



1 OF THE L.C.P. IT IS ALMOST PERFECT EXCEPT FOR ONE SMALL
2 DETAIL. THAT WOULD BE THE EXPANSION AND THE ADDITION OF
3 VINEYARDS. GROWING GRAPES FOR WINE PRODUCTION IS AGRICULTURE.
4 WHILE WE WILL NEVER BE A COMMUNITY CENTERED ON VITICULTURE,
5 THE ECONOMICS IMPACTS OF THE INDUSTRY ARE FAR REACHING.
6 LOCALLY GROWN WINE IS PRODUCED AND PURCHASED IN OUR GROCERY
7 STORES, CONSUMED IN OUR RESTAURANTS, SAMPLED IN TASTING ROOMS
8 AND REACH FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY. THE
9 INDUSTRY SERVES THE COMMUNITY AND VILLAGES ALIKE. YOU SHOULD
10 JUDGE THE EVIDENCE FIRST WHY IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR US TO HAVE
11 ANY OTHER CROP PLANTED IN A VINEYARD'S PLACE. THANK YOU.

12
13 **BOBBY SHRIVER:** GOOD MORNING, I'M BOBBY SHRIVER. I'M A RESIDENT
14 OF SANTA MONICA. I'VE SUPPORTED THE PLAN SINCE I FIRST STUDIED
15 IT. AS SOME OF YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN DOWN HERE STUDYING THE
16 PROCESS FOR MANY WEEKS AND MONTHS NOW. SO I'M CLEARLY ON
17 RECORD IN SUPPORT OF THE PLAN. WHAT I REALLY, JUST SITTING IN
18 THE AUDIENCE TODAY, WANTED TO COME UP AND SAY WAS TO
19 CONGRATULATE ALL OF YOU, PARTICULARLY ZEV AND BEN AND HIS
20 TEAM, AND REALLY ALL THESE PEOPLE THAT COME HERE AND ENGAGE
21 HERE IN LOCAL POLITICAL PROCESS. THIS IS A THING THAT DOESN'T
22 HAPPEN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD, WHERE PEOPLE HAVE A CHANCE
23 TO GO THROUGH A PROCESS THAT'S BEEN DESCRIBED HERE, OPPOSING
24 VIEWS, FIGHT A LITTLE BIT WITH EACH OTHER, RECONCILE A LITTLE
25 BIT WITH EACH OTHER AND FIND COMMON GROUND. THIS IS REALLY



1 AMERICA. I KNOW WE DEAL WITH A LOT OF DAILY THINGS AND WHAT WE
2 DO IN ALL OF OUR LIVES BUT JUST TO SEE YOU ALL HERE AND TO SEE
3 THESE TEAMS OF PEOPLE COME IN FROM MALIBU TODAY FOR, I DON'T
4 KNOW , THE FOURTH OR FIFTH TIME SINCE I'VE BEEN COMING TO
5 THESE MEETINGS, MAKE THEIR NEEDS KNOWN, ACT RESPECTFULLY TO
6 EACH OTHER, IT'S A TESTAMENT TO ALL OF YOU AND THE SERVICE
7 THAT YOU'RE GIVING TO EACH OTHER. SO I WANTED TO COME UP AND
8 SAY THAT, AND SAY THAT I SUPPORT THE PLAN.

9

10 **PAUL APODACA** :GOOD MORNING, PAUL APODACA, MALIBU CHAMBER OF
11 COMMERCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. I'M HERE JUST TO ECHO THE
12 COMMENTS OF THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER, MARK PERSON, EXECUTIVE
13 DIRECTOR AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST CONSIDERATION AMENDING THE
14 PORTION REGARDING VINEYARDS, THE PORTION WHICH PROHIBITS THE
15 EXPANSION OF NEW VINEYARDS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, NEXT?

18

19 **SUSAN MANNERS:** MY NAME IS SUSAN MANNERS. I LIVE IN WESTLAKE
20 VILLAGE, L.A. COUNTY AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
21 MALIBU ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. I'M NOT HERE SPEAKING IN A
22 PROFESSIONAL CAPACITY TODAY BUT WE DO WANT TO SEE PRIVATE
23 PROPERTY RIGHTS PRESERVED. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR YOU TO
24 OPPOSE THE BAN ON VINEYARDS BECAUSE I FEEL THAT THE VINEYARDS
25 HAVE BROUGHT A NEW LAYER OF ENJOYMENT AND COMMERCE TO THE



1 AREA. WHEN I HAVE MY FREE TIME, I TAKE MY KIDS, WE GO TO CAFE
2 M, WE GO TO ONE OF THE TASTING ROOMS. AND THE AMOUNT OF YOUNG
3 PEOPLE IN THEIR 20S WHO ARE ENJOYING THE AREA RESPONSIBLY IS
4 BEAUTIFUL TO SEE. I MEAN, WE ALL ENJOY THE BEACH, BUT THIS HAS
5 ADDED A WHOLE OTHER AREA OF RECREATION. THERE ARE FAMILIES,
6 THERE'S MOVIES OUTSIDE, THERE'S A COMEDY NIGHT. IT'S REALLY
7 BEEN TERRIFIC. AND JUST IN COMMENT TO WHAT SOMEBODY ELSE SAID,
8 I DON'T THINK VINTNERS DO IT FOR THE MONEY. AND I DO THINK
9 IT'S BEAUTIFUL PERSONALLY. I GREW UP GOING TO FRANCE AND TO
10 ITALY AND NAPA. AND I THINK IT ENHANCES THE AREA. I DON'T FEEL
11 THAT IT'S THE DESECRATION OF THE MOUNTAIN.

12
13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DANIEL FREDMAN, ROBERT LUCAS
14 AND ARNOLD SACHS.

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16 **DANIEL FREDMAN:** I'M DON FREDMAN. MY GIRLFRIEND AND I HAVE 140
17 VINES IN MALIBU ON CORRAL CANYON OVERLOOKING THE SITE IN SOSAS
18 CANYON THAT WAS PLANTED IN VINES ORIGINALLY BACK IN ABOUT THE
19 1830S. LONG TIME HISTORY THERE. WE LOVE LIVING IN THE AREA. WE
20 FARM THE VINES OURSELVES. THEY'RE BIODYNAMICALLY FARMED, SO
21 THAT TAKES IT TO AN EXTREME PAST ORGANIC FARMING. VERY MINIMAL
22 IRRIGATION. IT'S ALL DRIP IRRIGATION. WE'RE NOT LOWERING THE
23 WATER TABLE. 11 HOURS TOTAL USE IN THE LAST YEAR. THE NATURE
24 OF AGRICULTURE IS SUCH, THIS YEAR WE'RE GOING TO MAYBE HARVEST
25 8 POUNDS OUT OF THE 140 VINES. BAD VINTAGE, BUT WE'RE STILL



1 GOING TO KEEP DOING IT. WE'RE TALKING 1 PERCENT OF THE AREA IS
2 PLANTED TO VINEYARDS. IT IS PEOPLE LIKE US. IT IS NOT
3 COMMERCIAL. I'VE BEEN IN THE BUSINESS FOR 30 YEARS. DOING WINE
4 IN MALIBU COMMERCIALLY IS VERY, VERY DIFFICULT WITHOUT HAVING
5 TO SOURCE FRUIT FROM OTHER AREAS. SO THE FEAR OF US TURNING
6 INTO NAPA OR SONOMA IS ABSOLUTELY UNFOUNDED. THANK YOU. ONE
7 LAST THING, I DO SUPPORT VIRTUALLY EVERYTHING IN THIS L.C.P.
8 IT IS WHAT WE NEED. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. BUT THIS IS JUST NOT
9 GOOD WITH THE VINES TO BE BANNED.

10

11 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS ROBERT LUCAS I'VE BEEN
12 LISTENING TO THIS FOR THE LAST HOUR AND A HALF AND I'M KIND OF
13 CONFLICTED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH BROUGHT UP THE ISSUE OF
14 DELEGATING OR REGULATING WHAT PEOPLE CAN DO ON THEIR OWN
15 PROPERTY. AND THEN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY-- I'M TORN. I WAS
16 RAISED AND BORN HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND HORSES AND NATURE HAS
17 BEEN A PART OF MY MAKEUP. REMARKABLY ENOUGH, I SPENT THREE
18 HOURS WALKING THROUGH THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS YESTERDAY
19 BECAUSE I WAS LOST. I ENDED UP AT THE BEACH. I FOLLOWED MY
20 NOSE. THE THING ABOUT IT IS, IS I WAS NEVER SO COMFORTABLE AND
21 AT PEACE. AND I WAS NOT OBSTRUCTED BY A FENCE OR NASTY RUNOFF.
22 IT WAS JUST NATURE. WHAT I DO KNOW IS THAT WHEN WE HAVE AN
23 IMPACT ON NATURE, MOTHER EARTH HAS A WAY OF RIGHTING. WE'VE
24 SEEN IT THROUGH OUR WHOLE LIVES, MINE ESPECIALLY.

25



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON-- GOOD MORNING,
4 ARNOLD SACHS. AND I HAVE ALSO BEEN LISTENING FOR THE LAST
5 HOUR. I'VE HEARD A LOT OF PEOPLE COME UP HERE 30, 40, 20, 30,
6 40 YEAR RESIDENTS. SO I'M WONDERING WHY YOU'VE BEEN RESIDENTS
7 AND YOU APPRECIATE YOUR GOVERNMENT, DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S TAKEN
8 30 YEARS OR MORE? THEY HAVEN'T BUILT A RAIL LINE TO THE
9 AIRPORT YET. BUT THEY'RE GETTING CLOSE. SO THAT'S 30 YEARS.
10 I'VE HEARD THE MOST INTERESTING THING, THOUGH. SOMEBODY
11 MENTIONED THERE'S NO WATER POLICY FOR THE MOUNTAINS. PORQUE?
12 THAT SEEMS TO BE A BIG ISSUE. THIS DOESN'T ADDRESS THAT.
13 SOMEBODY MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT GETTING PERMITS FROM L.A.
14 COUNTY AND THE COASTAL COMMISSION. YOU HAVE TO GO TO TWO
15 DIFFERENT MEETINGS. WELL THIS ADDRESSES THAT? SANTA MONICA
16 MOUNTAIN FIRE, HOW ABOUT THE GRAND AVENUE PARK? PEOPLE ARE
17 CONCERNED ABOUT THE AQUIFER. HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE COME DOWN
18 AND YOU LISTEN TO THE 80 BUILDINGS BEING BUILT IN DOWNTOWN
19 L.A. AND HOW MUCH WATER THEY WILL SUCK UP.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, SUPERVISOR.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RICHARD BRODY WILL BE OUR LAST SPEAKER.



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2 **RICHARD BRODY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. I'M RICHARD BRODY,
3 PRESIDENT OF THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE SANTA
4 MONICA MOUNTAINS. EARLIER TODAY, MR. SCHMITZ MENTIONED A
5 LETTER WRITTEN BY DR. DARRYL KUTNIK, AND I'M HERE FROM THE
6 R.C.D. TO JUST CLARIFY SOME MISREPRESENTATIONS IN THAT LETTER,
7 THE INTENT THAT THERE'S SOME SPECIFIC REFERENCE IN THERE TO A
8 U.C.L.A. STUDY. AND THE INTENT OF THAT STUDY, OF THIS EFFORT,
9 WAS TO QUANTIFY THE THREAT TO NATIVE CHAPARRAL, COASTAL SAGE
10 SHRUB AND OTHER PLANT COMMUNITIES BY POTENTIAL TYPE
11 CONVERSIONS INTO VINEYARDS OR OTHER AGRICULTURAL USES THAT
12 COULD LEAD TO SIGNIFICANT FRAGMENTATION OF FUNCTIONAL HABITAT.
13 SO IT'S THE R.C.D.'S POSITION THAT WE SUPPORT THE L.C.P. AND
14 THE VINEYARDS THAT WOULD LEAD TO FURTHER FRAGMENTATION OF THE
15 HABITAT.

16
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE
18 US.

19
20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

21
22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, MR. YAROSLAVSKY. ARE YOU GOING TO
23 MOVE THE ITEM RIGHT NOW? COULD WE ASK A COUPLE QUESTIONS
24 BEFORE WE GET TO THAT POINT?



1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WAS GOING TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I DIDN'T KNOW IF YOU WERE GOING TO
4 READ THE-- OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT GOING TO READ IT. I'M GOING TO JUST
7 MOVE, EVENTUALLY, THE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I JUST HAD SOME QUESTIONS AND
10 I DIDN'T WANT...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO PROBLEM.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MAYBE I'LL ANSWER SOME OF THEM.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DOUBT IT. [LAUGHTER.]

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FIRST OF ALL, LET ME THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS
21 COME DOWN HERE FOR THE UMPTEENTH TIME ON THIS MATTER AND ON
22 OTHER MATTERS THAT YOU'VE TESTIFIED ON OVER THE YEARS. AS I'VE
23 WATCHED AND LISTENED TO THE PEOPLE TESTIFY, IT'S BEEN KIND OF
24 A REPRISE OF 20 YEARS OF REPRESENTATION OF THIS AREA WHICH IS
25 AN AREA I'VE COME TO LOVE VERY MUCH, AND MY STAFF LOVES VERY



1 MUCH AND WE'VE ENJOYED VERY MUCH THE OPPORTUNITY TO REPRESENT
2 THE AREA. I WISH I COULD LIVE THERE. BUT A, I CAN'T AFFORD IT
3 AND, B, I DON'T LIKE RATTLESNAKES, SO THAT KIND OF LEAVES ME
4 OUT. BUT IT IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PLACES IN THE STATE
5 OF CALIFORNIA AND I THINK WE SOMETIMES TAKE IT FOR GRANTED.
6 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
7 NATIONAL PARK, WHICH IS THE GUTS OF THIS MOUNTAIN RANGE, THE
8 TOPANGA STATE PARK WHICH IS PART OF THE GUTS OF THIS RANGE,
9 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, WHICH
10 COVERS THE LARGEST SWATH OF LAND, IS ONE OF THE MOST UNIQUE
11 NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS IN THE COUNTRY. THERE IS
12 NO OTHER NATIONAL PARK THAT IS WITHIN AN HOUR OR AN HOUR AND A
13 HALF DRIVE OF 15 OR 18 MILLION PEOPLE. THAT'S WHAT THIS PARK
14 IS ALL ABOUT. 100 YEARS FROM NOW, 150 YEARS FROM NOW,
15 HOPEFULLY THIS PARK WILL BE WHAT IT IS TODAY. PEOPLE WILL BE
16 ABLE TO ENJOY IT. IT WILL PROBABLY BE ONE OF THE FEW OPEN
17 SPACE AREAS LEFT TODAY, MUCH AS GRIFFITH PARK IS TO THE CITY
18 OF LOS ANGELES. THE PRESERVATION OF THIS AREA IN BOTH ITS
19 PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL CONTEXT HAS BEEN THE GOAL OF THIS
20 LOCAL COASTAL PLAN. IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA
21 COASTAL ACT. THIS IS NOT AN ORDINANCE THAT WE PASS ON OUR OWN.
22 THIS IS AN ORDINANCE THAT WE HAVE TO PASS THAT IS IN A MANNER
23 THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE COASTAL ACT. AND NOT ONLY DO
24 WE NOT GET TO APPROVE IT ON OUR OWN, BUT WE GET TO NEGOTIATE
25 WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSIONS. OF LIKE A BICAMERAL LEGISLATURE.



1 WE'RE THE HOUSE; THEY'RE THE SENATE, OR VICE VERSA. AND THERE
2 ARE CERTAIN THINGS THAT ARE RED LINES IN THE SAND FOR THEM,
3 AND THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS THAT WERE RED LINES IN THE SAND
4 FOR US. AND THE REST OF IT WAS VERY CAREFULLY NEGOTIATED OVER
5 A PERIOD OF YEARS. NOT DAYS, NOT WEEKS, NOT MONTHS, NOT YEARS.
6 AND IF YOU'LL RECALL THE LAST TIME WE HAD THIS MATTER BEFORE
7 US IN FEBRUARY, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THERE'S NOTHING NEW IN
8 THIS PLAN OTHER THAN THE RESOLUTION OF THE ISSUE THAT WAS
9 CONCERNING THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY. YOU NOW HAVE A PLAN
10 THAT'S ENDORSED VIRTUALLY BY THE ENTIRE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY.
11 THE LETTER FROM RUTH GERSON IS TESTAMENT TO THAT. AND I'M
12 SORRY SHE COULDN'T BE HERE TO PERSONALLY TESTIFY, BUT HER HIP
13 HAS GIVEN HER A PROBLEM. I TALKED TO HER YESTERDAY AFTERNOON
14 AND THANKED HER FOR HANGING IN THERE WITH US. THAT'S WHAT THIS
15 PLAN IS ABOUT. IT'S ABOUT STAKEHOLDERS, IT'S BEEN ABOUT
16 COMPROMISE. THE ISSUE OF VINEYARDS IS NOT NEW. WE APPROVED
17 THIS BAN ON FUTURE VINEYARDS NOT ON EXISTING VINEYARDS, IN
18 FEBRUARY. IT WAS CAUGHT UP IN A BIG PUBLIC RELATIONS CAMPAIGN
19 THAT WAS FALSE AND FALSIFIED WHERE PEOPLE WOULD SAY YOU
20 WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PLANT TOMATOES IN YOUR BACKYARD. THE PLAN
21 WOULDN'T ALLOW IT. IT WAS NONSENSE. THE ONLY SUBSTANTIVE
22 CHANGE BETWEEN WHAT WE'VE DONE AND WHAT WE DID IN FEBRUARY AND
23 WHAT'S BEFORE US NOW AFTER THE COASTAL COMMISSION HAS ACTED IS
24 EQUESTRIAN RESOLUTION TO THE EQUESTRIAN ISSUES THAT WERE
25 APPROVED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION IN JULY. ANY CHANGE TO THIS



1 PLAN-- I WANT LARRY HAFETZ TO CONFIRM THIS FOR THE BOARD-- ANY
2 CHANGE TO THIS PLAN AT THIS POINT IN TIME WOULD CONSTITUTE A
3 RESUBMITTAL OF THE PLAN, IS THAT CORRECT?

4

5 **LARRY HAFETZ, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WE ARE NOW IN THE POSITION, IT'S LIKE
8 WE'VE GOT A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT, IT'S UP OR DOWN.

9

10 **LARRY HAFETZ:** THAT'S CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU VOTE FOR IT, YOU VOTE TO APPROVE THE
13 PLAN. THERE MAY BE SOMETHING IN THE PLAN THAT I DON'T LIKE.
14 THERE ARE SOME THINGS IN IT THAT I DON'T LIKE, AND I'M SURE
15 THERE ARE THINGS THAT OTHER MEMBERS DON'T LIKE, EITHER, BUT WE
16 ARE NOT ABOUT TO THROW THE BABY OUT WITH THE BATH WATER OVER
17 ONE ISSUE OR TWO ISSUES OR THREE ISSUES. SO I WANT TO MAKE
18 THAT REAL CLEAR. WE HAVE A CHOICE TODAY. APPROVE THE PLAN OR
19 START ALL OVER. AND I WOULDN'T WANT THIS TO START ALL OVER FOR
20 THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT THIS BOARD HAS PUT INTO IT, THAT I OR
21 MY STAFF HAVE PUT INTO IT, THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE PUT INTO IT ON
22 ALL SIDES, BOTH PRO AND CON. YOU DESERVE A DECISION, AND THAT
23 DECISION IS TODAY. AND, SO, I WANTED TO JUST SAY THAT.
24 SECONDLY, I WANT TO JUST PUT THIS IN SOME CONTEXT, WHAT THIS
25 PLAN IS ALL ABOUT. DESIGNED TO PROTECT ONE OF THE MOST



1 BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAIN RANGES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IT'S NOT
2 THE HIGH SIERRAS. BUT THEN THE SIGH SIERRAS AREN'T THE SANTA
3 MONICAS, EITHER. THESE ARE AMONG THE MOST BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAINS
4 ANYWHERE. THE CANYONS ARE AS DEEP AS ANY CANYONS WEST OF THE
5 GRAND CANYON IN THE SOUTHWESTERN UNITED STATES. MALIBU CANYON
6 IS AS DEEP AS 2,000 FEET FROM RIDGE LINE TO THE CREEK. IT'S A
7 REMARKABLE PLACE. NOW, THERE'S A REASON WHY-- A LOT OF REASONS
8 WHY THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND THEIR SCIENTISTS, PLANNING
9 DEPARTMENT OF OUR COUNTY AND ITS SCIENTISTS AND ITS BIOLOGISTS
10 HAVE ALL RECOMMENDED A BAN ON FUTURE VINEYARDS. I'M SURE SOME
11 WOULD HAVE PREFERRED THAT WE RIP THEM OUT THE ONES THAT ARE
12 THERE. THAT WAS ANOTHER RED LINE IN THE SAND FOR US. BUT GOING
13 FORWARD THERE'S A REASON. I WANT YOU-- WHERE'S THAT PICTURE? I
14 WANT TO SHOW YOU WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO PREVENT. NOBODY IS
15 ARGUING ABOUT THE BOUTIQUE VINEYARD. BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF
16 VINEYARDS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS THAT ARE NOT-- LET ME
17 HAVE IT HERE. THIS IS WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO PREVENT. THIS IS
18 NOT-- THIS IS NOT IN THE FUEL MODIFICATION ZONE. THIS IS WELL
19 BEYOND THE FUEL MODIFICATION ZONE. THIS IS-- IN ORDER TO GET A
20 VINEYARD THAT PRODUCES CASES OF WINE, NOT A COUPLE OF BOTTLES
21 BUT CASES OF WINE, WHETHER IT'S COMMERCIAL OR WHETHER IT'S
22 RECREATIONAL AND A HOBBY FOR SOMEBODY WHO LIKES TO GROW THEM.
23 IN ORDER TO GET 100 CASES OF WINE, A BUNCH OF BOTTLES OF WINE,
24 HUNDREDS OF BOTTLES OF WINE, YOU DON'T PLANT THREE VINEYARDS,
25 YOU PLANT HUNDREDS OF VINEYARDS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE RATIO



1 IS BETWEEN THE NUMBER OF VINEYARDS IN ONE BOTTLE OF WINE BUT I
2 DON'T THINK YOU GET A BOTTLE OF WINE OUT OF ONE VINEYARD, DO
3 YOU? YOU NEED A WHOLE BUNCH OF THEM. SO WHEN YOU PRODUCE 8,000
4 BOTTLES OF WINE, YOU NEED A LOT OF VINEYARDS. AND SO THIS IS
5 WHAT THIS INDIVIDUAL DID. NOW, ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO'S
6 ADVOCATED FOR VINEYARDS GOING FORWARD SAID WELL THAT'S--
7 YAROSLAVSKY IS BEING MISLEADING, THAT'S NOT IN THE SANTA
8 MONICA COASTAL ZONE. THAT'S IN THE NORTH AREA PLAN. HELLO!
9 THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE DON'T WANT IN THE SANTA MONICA
10 MOUNTAINS. THAT'S WHAT'S COMING. BECAUSE TODAY IT'S BOUTIQUE.
11 TOMORROW IT WILL BE COMMERCIAL. AND THERE ARE COMMERCIAL
12 VINEYARDS. I KNOW THEM. I BUY THEIR WINE. I BUY DON SCHMITZ'S
13 WINE. I USED TO. [LAUGHTER.] NOT TRUE. NOT TRUE THAT I USED
14 TO. I WILL CONTINUE TO. AND DON'S NOT GOING ANYWHERE. HIS
15 VINEYARD GETS TO STAY. ALL THE PEOPLE WHO TESTIFIED HERE WHO
16 HAVE VINEYARDS GET TO STAY. ROSENTHAL VINEYARDS GETS TO STAY.
17 NOBODY IS RIPPING OUT ANYBODY'S VINE YARD. BUT GOING FORWARD,
18 WE DON'T WANT THE CHAPARRAL AND THE CANYONS AND THE RIDGE
19 LINES AND THE MAJESTY OF THOSE MOUNTAINS TO BE REPLACED WITH
20 THIS. THERE ARE PLENTY OF PLACES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WHERE
21 YOU CAN PLANT VINEYARDS. IN MY DISTRICT WHERE YOU CAN PLANT
22 VINEYARDS. ONE OF THE FINEST VINEYARDS IN THE COUNTRY IS IN
23 THE HEART OF BEL AIR. WHO KNEW? 18 ACRES OF VINEYARDS. GOOD
24 THING THEY'RE NOT IN THE COASTAL ZONE. IN MR. ANTONOVICH'S
25 DISTRICT AQUA DULCE VINEYARDS AMONG OTHERS. THERE ARE PLENTY



1 OF THEM. IN THE CITY OF MALIBU, THERE ARE VINEYARDS. IN THE
2 NORTH AREA PLAN THERE ARE VINEYARDS. BUT THE SANTA MONICA
3 MOUNTAINS AT THEIR CORE ARE A NATIONAL PARK AND A NATIONAL
4 RECREATION AREA. AND WE DON'T WANT FOR ALL THE OTHER
5 SCIENTIFIC REASONS, WE DON'T WANT THOSE MOUNTAINS, WHICH ARE
6 SPECIAL AND UNIQUE, TO BE REPLACED WITH THIS. WHICH ARE ALSO
7 SPECIAL AND UNIQUE. BUT WE HAVE PLACES TO PLANT VINEYARDS. WE
8 ONLY HAVE ONE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN RANGE, AND GOD ISN'T
9 MAKING THEM ANYMORE. HE'S DONE. SO A PICTURE'S WORTH A
10 THOUSAND WORDS, AND THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT. THAT'S WHAT
11 THIS DISCUSSION TODAY IS ALL ABOUT. IT'S NOT WHAT THE PLAN IS
12 ALL ABOUT. THE PLAN IS ABOUT PRESERVING THE RIDGES, THE
13 MOUNTAINS, THE CREEKS, THE CLEANLINESS OF THE CREEKS, THE
14 RIVERS THAT RUN THROUGH THE CANYONS. THE HUNDREDS OF YEAR-OLD
15 OAK GROVES AND SYCAMORE GROVES THAT POPULATE THAT AREA, THE
16 CHAPARRAL WHICH IS AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE HABITAT THAT
17 WE'RE TRYING TO PROTECT. AND WHEN YOU BUILD VINEYARDS LIKE
18 THAT-- AND I SAY BUILD NOT PLANT BECAUSE IT IS A CONSTRUCTION
19 PROJECT TO PLANT A VINEYARD. YOU BUILD VINEYARDS LIKE THAT,
20 YOU REPLACE IT WITH-- YOU REPLACE THE CHAPARRAL WITH THAT AND
21 THAT'S PRECISELY WHAT THE COASTAL ACT IS TRYING TO PROTECT,
22 AND THE COASTAL COMMISSION IS TRYING TO PROTECT. SO THIS ISN'T
23 A PROPERTY RIGHTS ISSUE. YOU CAN'T SAY ON THE ONE HAND THIS IS
24 EXPLOSIVE THAT THE VINES ARE GOING CRAZY OUT THERE AND IT'S AN
25 ECONOMIC ENGINE FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THEN HAVE



1 SOMEBODY COME UP HERE AND SAY IT'S LESS THAN 1 PERCENT OF THE
2 MOUNTAINS HAVE VINEYARDS ON THEM. IT'S LESS THAN 1/10 OF 1
3 PERCENT. THERE ARE HARDLY ANY VINEYARDS UP THERE. AND THERE
4 HAVEN'T BEEN VINEYARDS UP THERE IN 100 YEARS ON A LARGE-SCALE.
5 YES, SOMEBODY MAY HAVE PLANTED A VINEYARD HERE AND A VINEYARD
6 THERE. BUT IT'S NOT CHAPARRAL WHICH IS UBIQUITOUS IN THAT AREA
7 BUT NOT ON THE PLANET. SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO PROTECT.
8 AND NOBODY LIKE A GLASS OF CABERNET OR MERLOT MORE THAN I DO.
9 BUT, I HAVE A LOT OF CHOICES OF WHERE TO GET MY CABERNET. I
10 DON'T HAVE A LOT OF CHOICES OF WHERE I CAN SEE THE SANTA
11 MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. SO IT'S UNFORTUNATE
12 THAT A PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM WAS HIRED TO CREATE ALL THIS BUZZ
13 AND IT'S GREAT BUZZ. MALIBU AND VINEYARDS? IT'S GREAT. BUT
14 IT'S NOT WHAT THIS PLAN IS ABOUT. THE PLAN IS ABOUT SOMETHING
15 OF BIGGER THAN THAT. THAT'S WHY I SAID AND I SAY IT AGAIN.
16 THIS IS A TAIL THAT'S WAGGING THE DOG, BARELY. THIS IS ABOUT
17 AN AREA THAT IS SPECIAL TO THIS COUNTY. IT'S SPECIAL TO THIS
18 STATE. AND WE'VE GOTTEN A UNANIMOUS VOTE TWICE OUT OF THE
19 CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION ON A PLAN THAT IS INCREDIBLY
20 COMPLICATED AND HAD THE POTENTIAL OF BEING INCREDIBLY
21 CONTROVERSIAL AND AT TIMES WAS CONTROVERSIAL. UNANIMOUS VOTE
22 TWICE. A 4-1 VOTE OUT OF THIS BOARD. AND I WANT MY
23 CONSTITUENTS TO KNOW, I WANT TO THANK THE CHAIR DON KNABE FOR
24 HIS SUPPORT OF THIS PLAN IN FEBRUARY. HE DIDN'T LIKE EVERY
25 PART OF THIS PLAN ANY MORE THAN SOME OF YOU DIDN'T. I WANT TO



1 THANK GLORIA MOLINA, WHO HAS NOT ONLY SUPPORTED THIS PLAN BUT
2 HAS VOTED FOR EVERY SINGLE ENVIRONMENTALLY RIGHT ORDINANCE AND
3 PLAN IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE. AND I
4 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO IS NOT HERE TODAY,
5 WHO VOTED FOR THIS PLAN IN FEBRUARY. HE DIDN'T AGREE WITH
6 EVERYTHING THAT WAS IN THE PLAN. BUT THE LARGER GOAL WASN'T
7 MISSED BY HIM OR ANY OF THE OTHERS WHO VOTED FOR THIS PLAN.
8 AND I WANT YOU ALL TO KNOW WHO THESE PEOPLE WHO HAVE SUPPORTED
9 THIS PLAN BECAUSE I DON'T DO IT ALONE AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE
10 KIND WORDS BUT I DON'T GET TO DO THIS ALL MYSELF. I NEED THE
11 VOTES OF THESE FOLKS. AND THEY'VE BEEN PERSUADED NOT BY ME BUT
12 BY YOU AND BY THE STAFF AND BY THE SCIENCE. AND THEY MAY NOT
13 HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN 100 PERCENT PERSUADED BY IT, BUT ON BALANCE
14 THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY TO GO. AND WHOEVER IT WAS, I THINK IT
15 WAS DON WALLACE THAT SAID THIS WAS NOT WRITTEN IN STONE. IT'S
16 NOT FOREVER. IT'S NOT COMING DOWN FROM MOUNT SINAI. THE PLANS
17 CAN BE CHANGED. THE PLANS CAN BE AMENDED. THE PLANS WILL BE
18 REVIEWED. BUT FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO CAME HERE AND WHO WROTE TO
19 ME AND WHO WENT ON TELEVISION MAKING THE PREPOSTEROUS
20 STATEMENT THAT THE COUNTY IS GOING TO PULL OUT VINEYARDS? THE
21 ONLY WAY THE VINEYARDS WOULD EVER GET PULLED OUT IS IF THEY'RE
22 ILLEGAL. AND IF THEY'RE ILLEGAL, THE COASTAL COMMISSION'S
23 GOING TO PULL THEM OUT. IF WE DON'T APPROVE THIS PLAN, YOU
24 STILL HAVE THE COASTAL COMMISSION BREATHING DOWN YOUR NECK.
25 NOW, I DON'T THINK THE COASTAL COMMISSION HAS GONE IN LIKE THE



1 GESTAPO AND CHECKED OUT EVERY VINEYARD IN THE SANTA MONICA
2 MOUNTAINS. I WOULD ADVISE MAYBE IT'S BETTER NOT TO CALL
3 ATTENTION TO YOURSELVES IF YOU'RE NOT LEGALLY PERMITTED. BUT I
4 DON'T THINK THERE'S BEEN A SINGLE VINEYARD SINCE I'VE BEEN
5 HERE THAT'S BEEN RIPPED OUT OR CAUSED TO BE RIPPED OUT BY THE
6 COASTAL COMMISSION. NOW, SOMEBODY DOES SOMETHING RIDICULOUS,
7 THERE WILL BE ENFORCEMENT. BUT THIS IS A MOUNTAIN OUT OF A
8 MOLEHILL THAT'S BEEN MADE OUT OF THIS. AND SOME OF THE PEOPLE
9 WHO HAVE WRITTEN TO ME AND WRITTEN TO THE BOARD, THEIR
10 PROPERTIES AREN'T EVEN IN THE COASTAL ZONE. AND SO THEY'RE NOT
11 EVEN SUBJECT TO ANY OF THESE RESTRICTIONS. SO, ANYWAY, THAT'S
12 THAT. MR. CHAIRMAN, I JUST WANT TO THANK A FEW PEOPLE. BECAUSE
13 THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME I HAVE A CHANCE TO DO THAT, WHO
14 WORKED VERY HARD, WORKED ON WEEKENDS, WORKED AT NIGHTS. FIRST
15 OF ALL I WANT TO THANK THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING, RICHARD
16 BRUCKNER, DENNIS SLAVIN WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT, MARK
17 CHILD, GINA NATOLI, JOSH HUNTINGTON, NICK FRANCINO, CHRIS
18 BORNO, THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR WORK ON THIS. GINA'S BEEN ON
19 THIS ALMOST AS LONG AS I'VE BEEN HERE AND SHE'S PROBABLY MORE
20 KNOWLEDGEABLE THAN MOST ABOUT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND
21 LAND USE UP THERE. I WANT TO THANK LARRY LARRY HAFETZ AND
22 ELAINE LEMPKE IN THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE. THIS IS A LEGAL
23 DOCUMENT, WE WILL BE SUED. THERE'S ALREADY A LAWSUIT FILED AND
24 WE HAVEN'T EVEN DONE IT YET AND THERE'S ALREADY A LAWSUIT
25 FILED. COULDN'T WAIT. SO WE'RE AS BULLETPROOF AS WE'RE GOING



1 TO BE THANKS TO THE WORK OF LARRY AND ELAINE. ANDY CULBERTSON,
2 OUR CONSULTANT WHO HAS BEEN REMARKABLE, WORKING ON A WHOLE
3 HOST OF ISSUES ON THIS FROM THE BEGINNING WITH THE COASTAL
4 COMMISSION. THANK YOU, ANDY, FOR THAT. OUR BIOLOGIST, ROB
5 HAMILTON, DAN COOPER WHO HAVE DONE GREAT WORK TO EDUCATE US.
6 AND LASTLY, I WANT TO THANK-- WELL SECOND TO LASTLY I WANT TO
7 THANK CHARLES LESTER THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA
8 COASTAL COMMISSION AND JACK AYNESWORTH HIS DEPUTY FOR THIS
9 AREA. THEY HAVE WORKED INCREDIBLY CLOSELY WITH US AND WE WITH
10 THEM. I KNOW THEY WORKED WITH CHAIR KNABE ON THE MARINA DEL
11 REY PLAN. THIS IS A NEW RELATIONSHIP THAT WE HAVE WITH
12 COASTAL, AND I HOPE IT CONTINUES. I'M SURE IT WILL BE. THEY
13 HAVE RESPONDED IN KIND. THEY MADE COMPROMISES THEY DIDN'T WANT
14 TO MAKE, AS WE DID. THEY HAVE BEEN GREAT PROFESSIONALS TO WORK
15 WITH. AND LASTLY I WANT TO THANK MY STAFF. SUSAN NISSERMAN
16 WHO'S A TOPANGA RESIDENT AND RUNS MY CALABASAS OFFICE AMONG
17 OTHER THINGS. AND SHE'S BEEN VERY HELPFUL IN THIS PROCESS. AND
18 OF COURSE BEN SALZMANN WHO IS REALLY ONE OF THE MOST GIFTED
19 STAFF PEOPLE THAT ANY POLITICIAN COULD ASK TO HAVE. AND IF
20 THERE'S ANYBODY WHOSE GENIUS AND FINGERPRINTS IS ON A PLAN,
21 IT'S BEN AND WHO HAS NAVIGATED THE MINEFIELD SO SKILLFULLY
22 THAT IT MADE MY JOB EASY. IN FACT, I FEEL LEFT OUT. MY BLOOD
23 PRESSURE NEVER ROSE. SO THEY'VE ALL DONE A GREAT JOB. SO THANK
24 YOU ALL VERY MUCH. MR. CHAIRMAN, JUST TO GET IT ON THE TABLE,
25 I WILL MOVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION WITH THE APPROPRIATE



1 ORDINANCE THAT NEEDS TO BE APPROVED. AND DO I NEED TO SAY
2 ANYTHING ELSE, LARRY?

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4 **LARRY HAFETZ:** NO, YOU DON'T, SUPERVISOR. THE STAFF
5 RECOMMENDATION WILL SUFFICE FOR GETTING THE DOCUMENTS TO THE
6 COASTAL COMMISSION THAT NEED TO BE TRANSMITTED.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S PART OF THE HISTORY OF PRIVATE PROPERTY
11 AND PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS IS THAT WHEN A GROUP OF PEOPLE CAN
12 GET TOGETHER AND DENY A PERSON THEIR RIGHTS, EVERYTHING IS
13 SUPPOSED TO BE OKAY; BUT THAT'S NOT PROTECTING INDIVIDUAL
14 PROPERTY RIGHTS AND WHY THE COURT HAS RULED A NUMBER OF TIMES
15 IN REVERSE CONDEMNATION CASES THAT THEY WERE WRONG AND THERE
16 HAS TO BE JUST COMPENSATION IF THAT PROPERTY IS TO BE TAKEN.
17 IF AN INDIVIDUAL WANTS TO PLANT A VINEYARD OR NOT ON THEIR
18 PRIVATE PROPERTY, THAT SHOULD BE A DECISION THAT THEY OUGHT TO
19 HAVE. AND THEY OWN THAT PROPERTY. THEY'VE OWNED THE PROPERTY
20 FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND THEIR TIME FRAME WHEN THEY WANTED
21 TO PLANT THAT VINEYARD WAS NOT NECESSARILY THE TIME FRAME THAT
22 THE PEOPLE WHO PUT THIS DOCUMENT BEFORE US TODAY FIT AND YET
23 THEY'RE GOING TO BE DENIED THE OPPORTUNITY THEIR NEIGHBOR HAS
24 THE RIGHT TO USE THEIR PROPERTY THE WAY THEY WOULD LIKE TO
25 HAVE HAD IT USED BECAUSE THAT'S WHY THEY PURCHASED THE



1 PROPERTY. THE VINEYARDS WE DO HAVE IN THE SANTA MONICA
2 MOUNTAINS PROVIDE TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS INTO OUR
3 ECONOMY, PROVIDE HUNDREDS OF JOBS AND IS AN ECONOMIC PLUS FOR
4 THIS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND TO DENY PROPERTY RIGHTS, IN MY
5 OPINION, IS WRONG. I THINK THERE SHOULD BE AN AMENDMENT THAT
6 ALLOWS THESE VINEYARDS TO CONTINUE THE NEW VINEYARDS IF THAT
7 IS THE WISH OF THOSE PROPERTY OWNERS NOT TO HAVE THAT
8 DETERMINED BY THE COASTAL COMMISSION OR AT A COUNTY AGENCY.
9 SO, MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD MOVE AN AMENDMENT THAT WE WOULD
10 ALLOW VINEYARDS JUST AS WE ALLOW OTHER FORMS OF AGRICULTURE TO
11 BE-- THAT ARE PERMITTED CURRENTLY AND WILL BE PERMITTED TO
12 EXIST. SO I'D MOVE THAT VINEYARDS ALSO BE INCLUDED WITH THE
13 OTHER AGRICULTURAL USES THAT ARE NOW BEING DONE IN THE COASTAL
14 AREA, I SHOULD SAY IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND THAT MOTION. AND WE'LL TAKE
17 A QUICK ROLL CALL ON THAT AMENDMENT.

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?
20 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

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24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?



1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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3 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. MOTION FAILS. MAIN MOTION IS ON THE
6 FLOOR. I JUST WANT TO REITERATE, I HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT
7 THE WINE PIECE. WHILE I TRUST EVERYTHING MR. YAROSLAVSKY SAYS,
8 SORT OF, I JUST WANT TO HEAR IT FROM YOUR MOUTH, MR. BRUCKNER,
9 THE EXISTING WINERIES THAT ARE THERE WILL NOT BE IMPACTED
10 WHATSOEVER?

11

12 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THAT IF THEY FALL WITHIN THE
15 CONFINES OF THE APPROVED AGREEMENT WITH THE COASTAL
16 COMMISSION, THERE CAN BE NEW VINEYARDS PLANTED?

17

18 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** NO.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NONE.

21

22 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THERE IS A BAN ON NEW VINEYARDS. IF I DIDN'T
23 SAY THAT CLEARLY BEFORE, I APOLOGIZE.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DID NOT SAY THAT CLEARLY.



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2 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** MY MISTAKE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND THERE IS NO IMPACT ON THIS AGREEMENT
5 AS IT RELATES TO THIS PARTICULAR AREA IN ANY OTHER PART OF THE
6 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES?

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8 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** CORRECT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE VINEYARDS IN OTHER PLACES.

11

12 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** ABSOLUTELY. AND THIS IS AN ORDINANCE THAT IS
13 PECULIAR TO THIS GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARY.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS NO CAMEL UNDER THE TENT OR
16 ANYTHING LIKE THAT.

17

18 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** NO. COUNTY COUNSEL WORKED WITH US ON THAT
19 AND IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT--

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT IS VERY SITE-SPECIFIC.

22

23 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** ABSOLUTELY BECAUSE OF THE UNIQUE
24 CHARACTERISTICS OF THIS SITE AND DOES NOT APPLY TO OUR OTHER
25 L.C.P.S, EITHER.



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2 **LARRY HAFETZ:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. THIS PLAN WOULD NOT
3 AFFECT ANY OTHER AREAS OTHER THAN SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, THEN, WE WILL HAVE
6 A ROLL CALL.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND I THINK WE NEED TO MOVE TO CLOSE THE
9 PUBLIC HEARINGS.

10

11 **LARRY HAFETZ:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I MOVE WE CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
14 APPROVE THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED.

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE MAIN MOTION IS BEFORE THIS
19 BOARD? SUPERVISOR MOLINA? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.



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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, OKAY. PLEASE.

7 THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING. IF YOU'LL LEAVE QUIETLY,

8 WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF BUSINESS TO DO HERE AT THE BOARD. SO

9 THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE. PLEASE, IF YOU CAN LEAVE

10 QUIETLY, WE STILL HAVE WORK TO DO HERE. ALL RIGHT. THE NEXT

11 ITEM ON THE AGENDA? EXCUSE ME, PLEASE. I KNOW YOU'RE JOYOUS.

12 IF YOU CAN TAKE YOUR JOY INTO THE LOBBY, WE'D APPRECIATE IT.

13 WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO HERE. ALL RIGHT. GO AHEAD.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE

16 BOARD, IF I COULD GO BACK TO AGENDA ITEM 1.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

19

20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** A DETERMINATION AS BEEN MADE THAT

21 NO MAJORITY PROTESTS EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION

22 AND LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED TENTATIVE

23 SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES 29-307, 16-411, 39-811, 40-811 AND 13-

24 412 TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND 10006 IN

25 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT L.L.A.-1 UNINCORPORATED AND DIAMOND



1 BAR ZONES. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD
2 TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION ORDERING THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF
3 ASSESSMENTS AND THE JOINT RESOLUTION, ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED
4 EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM THE
5 ANNEXATION OF THE TERRITORY.

6
7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED
8 BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER. NEXT
9 WILL BE ITEM NO. 2.

10
11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 2. AND THIS IS
12 THE ITEM NO. 2.

13
14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** STAFF REPORT BECAUSE THEY STARTED TO
15 COME UP HERE.

16
17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
18 ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO CONDEMN FEE SIMPLE
19 TITLE IN THREE PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE VACATED PORTIONS OF
20 WHEATLAND AND COTTONWOOD AVENUES IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
21 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
22 RECEIVED.

23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DEPARTMENT?
25



1 **DANA ROTHMAN:** MY NAME IS DANA ROTHMAN. I'M THE HEAD OF REAL
2 ESTATE WITH L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

3
4 **CHRIS STONE:** I'M CHRIS STONE. ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR, WATER
5 RESOURCES, PUBLIC WORKS. I'LL GO AHEAD AND START WITH THE
6 STATEMENT. THE BIG TUJUNGA WASH MITIGATION AREA COMPRISES 210
7 ACRES OF LAND PURCHASED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD
8 CONTROL DISTRICT IN 1998 IN THE SUNLAND AREA OF THE CITY OF
9 LOS ANGELES TO COMPENSATE FOR HABITAT LOSS DUE TO OTHER FLOOD
10 CONTROL DISTRICT PROJECTS. THE BIG TUJUNGA WASH MITIGATION
11 AREA INCLUDES EQUESTRIAN AND HIKING TRAILS, NATIVE AND
12 ALLUVIAL SHRUB, AQUATIC AND WILLOW RIPARIAN HABITAT FOR MANY
13 SENSITIVE PLANT AND WILDLIFE SPECIES, INCLUDING ENDANGERED AND
14 THREAT SPECIES. THERE ARE THREE THAT PARCELS IN THE MITIGATION
15 AREA WHICH PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS STREETS, WERE NOT INCLUDED IN
16 THE 1998 PURCHASE. THESE THREE PARCELS ARE REQUIRED TO
17 COMPLETE THE ACQUISITION AND ENSURE PRESERVATION, CONNECTIVITY
18 AND ACCESS TO THE ENTIRE BIG TUJUNGA MITIGATION AREA. IN
19 ADDITION, ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE AGENCIES ALLOT MITIGATION
20 CREDITS THAT ARE CONTINGENT UPON THE PRESERVATION AND
21 ENHANCEMENT OF HABITAT AT THE SITE. THE PROPOSED CONDEMNATION
22 OF THE FORMER COTTONWOOD AND WHEATLAND AVENUE PARCELS WOULD
23 ENABLE THE DISTRICT TO OBTAIN LEGAL ACCESS TO THE ENTIRE SITE,
24 MINIMIZE POTENTIAL ADVERSE IMPACTS AND MAXIMIZE THE AVAILABLE
25 MITIGATION CREDITS. WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND THE BOARD MAKE THE



1 FOLLOWING FINDINGS. ONE, THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND THE NECESSITY
2 REQUIRE THIS PROJECT. TWO, THE PROJECT IS PLANNED OR LOCATED
3 IN A MANNER THAT WILL BE MOST COMPATIBLE WITH THE GREATEST
4 PUBLIC GOOD AND THE LEAST PRIVATE INJURY. AND, THREE, THE
5 PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION IS NECESSARY FOR
6 THIS PROJECT.

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8 **DANA ROTH:** GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 7267.2., WHICH IS THE OFFER
9 THE PROPERTIES TO BE ACQUIRED CONSIST OF THREE PARCELS OF LAND
10 LOCATED WITHIN THE VACATED PORTIONS OF WHEATLAND AND
11 COTTONWOOD AVENUES SURROUNDED BY THE BIG TUJUNGA MITIGATION
12 BANK AREA ON BOTH THE WESTERLY AND EAST SIDES. THE DEPARTMENT
13 OF PUBLIC WORKS PREPARED AN APPRAISAL AN OF THE FAIR MARKET
14 VALUE OF THE PROPERTIES PROPOSED TO BE ACQUIRED, AND BASED ON
15 THIS APPRAISAL HAS ESTABLISHED AN AMOUNT BELIEVED TO BE JUST
16 COMPENSATION FOR THE PROPERTY. HOWEVER, NO OFFER HAS BEEN MADE
17 TO THE OWNERS OF RECORD OF PARCELS 102-F, 103-F AND 104-F
18 BECAUSE THE OWNERS OF RECORD AND/OR THEIR HEIRS CANNOT BE
19 LOCATED WITHIN REASONABLE DILIGENCE. PARCEL 104-F OWNED BY THE
20 HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF PETER AND MARY AKMEDVIK MR. AKMADVIK IS
21 DECEASED WITH NO HEIRS OR DEVISEES OTHER THAN MRS. AKMADVIK.
22 HOWEVER, PARCEL 104-F. WAS NOT CONVEYED TO MRS. AKMADVIK IN
23 HIS ESTATE. MRS. AKMADVIK IS DECEASED AND THE EXECUTOR OF HER
24 WILL AND TRUSTEE OF HER ESTATE HAS BEEN LOCATED AND WAS
25 PROVIDED NOTICE OF THIS HEARING. WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT



1 YOUR BOARD FIND THAT THE OFFER REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT CODE
2 SECTION 726.2 HAS NOT BEEN MADE TO THE OWNERS OF RECORD
3 BECAUSE THE OWNERS OF RECORD CANNOT BE LOCATED AND THAT YOUR
4 BOARD ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY FOR THIS PROJECT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM IS BEFORE US? WE HAVE A
7 SPEAKER? OH, SACHS.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. BOY THAT ROOM
10 SURE CLEARED OUT QUICKLY. THIS ISN'T PART OF THE SANTA MONICA
11 CONSERVATORY OR THE COASTAL COMMISSION, I HOPE. BUT IT'S NICE
12 TO BE ABLE TO HEAR YOUR PERSONNEL CITE GOVERNMENT CODES FOR
13 TRANSFERS EASEMENT AGREEMENTS. BOY, I COULD CITE A GOVERNMENT
14 CODE HERE CREATING A COMMISSION, AN AGENCY. I'M LOOKING FOR
15 IT. I JUST HAD IT, YOU KNOW. OH, THE PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE.
16 SECTION 132.400. AS A GOVERNMENT CODE, THAT WASN'T UPHELD. SO
17 I GUESS YOU CAN PICK OR THE CHOOSE THEM, HUH? I'M REFERRING TO
18 MY FAVORITE M.T.A. BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOME OTHER MEETING. OKAY. THE ITEM'S
21 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL
22 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS THE--

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** RECONSIDER. I'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC
2 HEARING AND THEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WILL MOVE IT. I'LL
3 SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO BE IT.

4

5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 3 THIS IS
6 HEARING FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE 8, CONSUMER
7 PROTECTION AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS TO CREATE NEW AND AMEND
8 EXITING CATEGORIES OF PUBLIC HEALTH FEES, INCLUDING TECHNICAL,
9 NONSUBSTANTIVE MODIFICATIONS TO IMPLEMENT FEES EFFECTIVE 30
10 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF APPROVAL. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT
11 STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE IS A
12 SPEAKER ON THIS ITEM.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT
15 STATEMENT?

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** NO, JUST A SPEAKER.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN, ARNOLD SACHS. YOU KNOW
22 THAT MEETING ROOM SURE EMPTIED OUT QUICK. NOTHING LIKE A
23 LITTLE NIMBY-ISM. CONSUMER PROTECTION AND BUSINESS
24 REGULATIONS. YOU KNOW IN YESTERDAY'S NEWSPAPER, THERE WAS AN
25 ARTICLE, 8/24 ACTUALLY SUNDAY, A LOT OF BILLS BEFORE THE



1 LAWMAKERS. SO WHAT KIND OF CONSUMER PROTECTION AND BUSINESS
2 REGULATIONS CAN YOU LOOK FORWARD TO WHEN AN AGENCY CAN MAKE
3 MODIFICATIONS TO STATE LAWS? THIS GUY, I'M JUST CURIOUS. CAN
4 THE PUBLIC GO DOWN THAT PATH, MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO STATE
5 LAWS? CAN THEY MAKE MODIFICATION TO COUNTY RULES AND
6 REGULATIONS? NO. BUT THE BOARDS THAT YOU SIT ON DOWN THE
7 STREET MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO STATE LAWS. THAT WOULD BE THE
8 M.T.A. BOARD.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE APPRECIATE THE INFORMATION OF WHAT WE
11 CAN DO. WE'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
12 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
13 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

14

15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 4, THIS IS
16 THE HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE 2014 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT
17 PROGRAM LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT IN THE SELF-CERTIFICATION
18 RESOLUTION TO ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO RECEIVE ITS
19 SHARE OF GASOLINE TAX SUBVENTION REVENUES. THERE'S NO
20 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND
21 THERE IS A SPEAKER ON THIS ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING, MR.
24 SACHS?

25



1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. \$30 MILLION
2 TO THE COUNTY AND YOU WONDER HOW FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE THEY
3 ARE. IS THAT PASSED THROUGH FOR THE 88 CITIES? OR IS THAT
4 MONEY FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREA? CONGESTION MANAGEMENT
5 PROGRAM, YOU CERTAINLY COULD USE IT AROUND THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS TODAY. YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE CONGESTION ON
7 TEMPLE AND HILL. WHAT YOU NEEDED WAS A NEW METRO TRAFFIC
8 COMMAND CENTER THAT WAS PARKED DOWN AT PATSOURAS CENTER.
9 THAT'S LIKE HALF A BILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF BUS RIGHT THERE.
10 SITTING THERE WHILE PEOPLE WERE TIED UP, CAN'T MAKE LEFT
11 TURNS, CAN'T MAKE RIGHT TURNS. AND NO NOTIFICATION. SO YOUR
12 CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IS WORKING WONDERFULLY. THERE'S
13 CONGESTION ALL OVER THE COUNTY. AND IT'S NOT GETTING BETTER;
14 IT'S GETTING WORSE.

15
16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE
17 ITEM'S BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR
18 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19
20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON NO. 5, THIS IS THE
21 HEARING ON ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN ELECTRICAL
22 TRANSMISSION FRANCHISE TO T.A. ACACIA L.L.C. TO CONDUCT AND
23 TRANSMIT ELECTRICITY FOR A PERIOD OF 35 YEARS IN THE
24 UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREA OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. THERE IS NO
25 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SACHS?

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. IT'S SOMEWHAT FASCINATING
5 THAT YOU APPROVED 5 BEFORE YOU APPROVED 7 BECAUSE REMINGTON
6 SOLAR ELECTRICITY IS GOING TO PRODUCE SOLAR POWER. AND THERE
7 WAS JUST AN ARTICLE-- AND I'M SORRY THAT I COULDN'T FIND IT--
8 THAT THE LEGISLATOR WHO CREATED THE LAW, CREATED A LAW A FEW
9 YEARS AGO THAT WOULD ALLOW THE COOKIE-CUTTER PROCESS THAT
10 WOULD PERMIT SOLAR FARMING IN UNREGULATED PARCELS, PER SE, HE
11 WAS VERY MUCH AGAINST IT. AND HERE'S A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF
12 WHERE THIS IS GOING TO HAPPEN. YOU'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO MAKE
13 COOKIE-CUTTER AREAS INTO SOLAR FARMS BECAUSE IT'S A LOOPHOLE
14 IN THE LAW. AND IT WAS, WHAT? TWO WEEKS AGO THAT WAS THE STORY
15 IN THE NEWSPAPER ABOUT IT. NOW WE'RE SITTING ON A REGULATORY
16 BOARD. HE WAS A STATE LEGISLATOR, CREATED THE LAW. AND NOW
17 HE'S ON A REGULATORY BOARD, AND I WILL FIND THAT INFORMATION ,
18 YOU CAN BE SURE OF THAT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 7?

21

22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM NO. 5, IF YOU COULD CLOSE THE
23 PUBLIC HEARING ON ITEM NO. 5?

24



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. CLOSE THE HEARING. MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
3 OBJECTION.

4
5 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 7. THIS IS THE
6 DE NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NO. R2011-00833-5 LOCATED AT THE
7 INTERSECTION OF 105TH STREET WEST AND WEST AVENUE B NEAR THE
8 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF FAIRMONT AND ANTELOPE ACRES
9 WITHIN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WEST ZONE DISTRICT, TO AUTHORIZE
10 THE CONSTRUCTION AND THE OPERATION OF SOLAR-PHOTOVOLTAIC
11 ELECTRICITY GENERATION FACILITY BY NORTH LANCASTER RANCH
12 L.L.C. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, CORRESPONDENCE WAS
13 RECEIVED. THERE'S A FEW SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

14
15 **KIM SOLEIL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
16 MY NAME IS KIM SOLEIL, PRINCIPAL PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT
17 OF REGIONAL PLANNING, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING RICHARD BRUCKNER ON
18 MY LEFT, AND SAM DAY, SUPERVISING REGIONAL PLANNER ON MY
19 RIGHT. PUBLIC WORKS IS ALSO AVAILABLE. THE ITEM BEFORE YOU IS
20 A ZONE CHANGE REQUEST FOR ONE OF SIX RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS
21 CONSIDERED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. THE SUBJECT
22 PROJECT IS KNOWN AS THE NORTH LANCASTER RANCH OR PROJECT 1,
23 LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED ANTELOPE VALLEY WEST. ON JUNE
24 11, 2014, THE COMMISSION CERTIFIED THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
25 REPORT FOR THE SUBJECT PROJECT AND FIVE OTHER SIMILAR PROJECTS



1 SUBMITTED BY THE SAME APPLICANT, ADOPTED THE MITIGATION
2 MONITORING PROGRAM AND C.E.Q.A. FINDINGS OF FACT, APPROVED THE
3 SIX CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS OF
4 APPROVAL AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF AND FURTHER MODIFIED BY THE
5 COMMISSION, AND APPROVED A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL TO
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ZONE CHANGE FOR THE SUBJECT
7 PROJECT 1. PROJECT 1 IS A REQUEST FOR A PHOTOVOLTAIC AND
8 ELECTRICITY ENERGY FACILITY, ASSOCIATED TRANSMISSION LINES AND
9 A WATER SUPPLY TANK ON 240 ACRES. THE PROJECT SITE IS
10 CURRENTLY ZONED A-1-2 WHICH DOES NOT ALLOW ELECTRICITY
11 GENERATION FACILITIES. THE A-2-2 ZONING REQUESTED ALLOWS
12 ELECTRICITY GENERATION FACILITIES WHEN A CONDITIONAL USE
13 PERMIT IS OBTAINED. THE DRAFT E.I.R. FOR THE SUBJECT PROJECT
14 AND THE OTHER FIVE PROJECTS WAS CIRCULATED FOR A 45-DAY PUBLIC
15 REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD FROM JANUARY 6, 2014 TO FEBRUARY 19,
16 2014. ORAL COMMENTS WERE ALSO RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS OF THE
17 PUBLIC AT THE HEARING EXAMINER PUBLIC HEARING HELD IN THE
18 ANTELOPE VALLEY ON FEBRUARY 1, 2014. THE FINAL E.I.R. WAS
19 COMPLETED FOR THE COMMISSION'S CONSIDERATION ON JUNE 11, 2014.
20 THE SILVERADO POWER WEST E.I.R. INCLUDES THE DRAFT E.I.R.
21 WHICH ANALYZES ALL SIX PROJECTS' IMPACTS AND THE FINAL E.I.R.
22 WHICH PROVIDED RESPONSES TO ALL COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT E.I.R.
23 AT THE PUBLIC HEARING ON JUNE 11, 2014, THE REGIONAL PLANNING
24 COMMISSION CERTIFIED THE E.I.R. FOR THE SIX PROJECTS, APPROVED
25 THE SIX CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS AND APPROVED A RESOLUTION



1 RECOMMENDING THE BOARD CONSIDER THE ZONE CHANGE FOR PROJECT 1,
2 PROJECT NO. 2011-00-A33 IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT. SUBSEQUENTLY
3 THE BOARD'S LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON THE PROJECT 1 ZONE CHANGE,
4 PURSUANT TO 2022-30-B2 OF THE COUNTY ZONING ORDINANCE
5 AUTOMATICALLY ALLOWS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE ASSOCIATED
6 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND E.I.R. ONLY FOR THE SUBJECT PROJECT
7 1. THIS CONCLUDES MY REPORT TO THE BOARD AND STAFF IS
8 AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS.

9
10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** QUESTIONS OF STAFF AT THIS POINT? IF
11 NOT, WE WILL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. FIRST OF ALL, RYAN
12 GALERIA.

13
14 **RYAN GALERIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS RYAN GALERIA. I'M THE
15 PROJECT MANAGER FOR SILVERADO POWER, RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE
16 PROJECTS. I'VE WORKED ON THESE PROJECTS FOR LAST FEW YEARS AND
17 JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME CONSIDERATIONS. I KNOW
18 IT'S A A LOT OF INFORMATION. BUT WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE
19 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION PUT FORTH IN THE PLAN THAT WE'VE
20 COME UP TOGETHER WITH, NOT ONLY REGIONAL PLANNING SUPPORT BUT
21 TECHNICAL EXPERTS ACROSS MULTIPLE DISCIPLINES, AND PROBABLY
22 MOST IMPORTANTLY LOCAL EXPERTS, PROJECT NEIGHBORS AND CITIZENS
23 IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU
24 MAY HAVE ABOUT THE PROJECT.



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GALERIA IS THE APPLICANT. ANY QUESTIONS
2 FROM THE MEMBERS? IF NOT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **RYAN GALERIA:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SOME TESTIMONY FROM LANCASTER
7 JUDITH FUENTES AND VIRGINIA STOUT. IF MISS FUENTES WANTS TO GO
8 FIRST.

9

10 **JUDITH FUENTES:** MY NAME IS JUDITH FUENTES. IT WAS STATED THAT
11 THE PROPOSED PROJECTS WOULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO SIGNIFICANTLY
12 CONTRIBUTE TO POTENTIAL CUMULATIVE LAND-USE-RELATED IMPACTS.
13 BY THIS LOGIC, ANY E.I.R. COULD STATE IN THE FUTURE THAT THERE
14 ARE ALREADY 20,000 ACRES OF SIMILAR DEVELOPMENT, SO WHAT'S
15 ANOTHER 20,000? MR. BRUCKNER, IN CORRESPONDENCE, ADDRESSED
16 THIS CONCERN I HAD. BUT IT WAS NOT CLEAR AND IT DID NOT ANSWER
17 ANY QUESTIONS. THIS AND OTHER SIMILAR PROJECTS ARE NOT IN ANY
18 WAY AGRICULTURAL IN NATURE. THE NORTH LANCASTER RANCH SITE IS
19 NOT A RANCH AND LABELING THESE PROJECTS AS SOLAR FARMS IS AN
20 INSULT TO FARMING. THEY ARE SOLAR FIELDS, TAKING UP THOUSANDS
21 OF ACRES OF OPEN SPACE LAND. THIS FACILITY, THE GENERATING
22 FACILITIES AND OTHERS SHOULD BE IN INDUSTRIAL ZONE SETTINGS.
23 THAT WAY THERE'S NO MISTAKE OR SURPRISE TO PEOPLE WHO ARE
24 LOOKING TO INVESTOR WHO HAVE ALREADY INVESTED AND ARE LIVING
25 ON RURAL LAND. WHY DOES THE COUNTY WANT TO DISCOURAGE RURAL



1 LIFESTYLES IN WEST ANTELOPE VALLEY BY MAKING PEOPLE CHOOSE
2 SOMEWHERE ELSE TO LIVE BECAUSE THEY WANT TO LIVE IN RURAL AND
3 IT'S BEING OVERTAKEN BY GENERATING FACILITIES. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT? VIRGINIA STOUT FROM
6 LANCASTER.

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8 **VIRGINIA STOUT:** MY NAME IS VIRGINIA STOUT. AND I MOVED TO THE
9 ANTELOPE ACRES AREAS IN THE LATE 1970S, AND QUICKLY BECAME
10 ENTHRALLED WITH THE BEAUTY OF THE SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS AND
11 THE CAHACHAPEES AND THE SECOND GROWTH DESERT AND THE BADGERS
12 AND THE KIT FOXES AND ALL THE WILDLIFE THAT I CAME TO LOVE.
13 AND HAVE WORKED A LOT WITH THE COUNTY IN THE PAST YEARS TO TRY
14 TO CREATE A WONDERFUL RURAL COMMUNITY THAT WOULD BE OF GREAT
15 ENHANCEMENT TO THE COUNTY. AND IN THE PAST KIND OF BEEN
16 BLINDSIDED BY ALL THE SOLAR INDUSTRIAL PARKS THAT HAVE COME IN
17 WITH THEIR CHAIN LINK FENCE. AND NOW TO ADD FURTHER INSULT,
18 THEY ARE ASKING TO CHANGE THE ZONING TO COME INTO SOMETHING
19 THAT IS ABSOLUTELY NOT HAVING ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE
20 ENVIRONMENT, WITH ANYTHING THAT'S RURAL, WITH ANYTHING THAT
21 WOULD ENHANCE THE COMMUNITY ON THAT. COMING IN, THE ANTELOPE
22 ACRES TOWN COUNCIL OF WHICH I AM THE VICE PRESIDENT AND HAVE
23 HEARD LOUD AND CLEARLY FROM THE COMMUNITY THAT THEY SHOULD NOT
24 BE ABLE TO COME IN AND ASK TO BUY PROPERTY AND ASK TO HAVE THE
25 ZONE CHANGE WHEN IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ANYTHING THAT



1 ENHANCES THE COMMUNITY ON THAT. CURRENTLY, THE PROJECT THAT
2 THEY ARE BUILDING JUST SOUTH OF THIS IS OUT OF COMPLIANCE WITH
3 DUST. THEY'RE RAISING HUGE DUST STORMS. JUST YESTERDAY
4 AFTERNOON, YOU COULD SEE THE BLANKETS OF DUST. I DON'T KNOW
5 HOW PEOPLE WORK IN THERE WHEN THAT HAPPENS. SO WE ARE ASKING
6 THAT YOU, NUMBER 1, THAT YOU REJECT THIS ZONE CHANGE. THEY
7 KNEW WHEN THEY BOUGHT IT , IT WASN'T ZONED FOR SOLAR. AND THE
8 PEOPLE WHO LIVE ACROSS THE STREET WERE HAVING 900 ACRES COME
9 IN BEHIND THEM WERE VERY HAPPY THAT AT LEAST THEY KNEW THAT
10 ACROSS THE STREET THEY WOULDN'T HAVE SOLAR. SO WE'RE ASKING
11 YOU TO DO THAT. AND ALSO TO REOPEN AND LOOK AT THE
12 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND SEE WHERE THE C.U.P. AS FAR AS
13 DUST, IT'S NOT WORKING. WHATEVER THEY'RE EXPOSED-- THE THINGS
14 THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO DO THEY'RE EITHER NOT DOING OR IT'S NOT
15 WORKING. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND WE HOPE YOU WILL TAKE
16 THESE CONCERNS SERIOUSLY ON THAT.

17
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. FRANK SERAFINE? AND SACHS.

19
20 **FRANK SERAFINE:** HELLO, MY NAME IS FRANK SERAFINE. I'M A
21 PROPERTY OWNER IN THE GATEWAY OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I MOVED
22 THERE FROM THE HEART OF MALIBU AND I'M VERY HAPPY TO SEE THAT
23 THAT AMENDMENT WAS WON TODAY FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS
24 THAT IT HAD ON ITS COMMUNITY. I AM SEEING SO MANY SOLAR FARMS
25 COMING INTO MY AREA. WE'RE TURNING A BEAUTIFUL AREA, THE



1 ANTELOPE VALLEY WHICH OUR STATE FLOWER IS GROWN THERE, OUR
2 POPPIES ARE GROWN THERE. IT'S BEING RUINED. AND THIS IS GOING
3 TO SET A PRECEDENT FOR ALL THESE OTHER COMPANIES TO COME IN.
4 IF YOU ALLOW THIS 150 ACRES WAS JUST APPROVED ON J AND 110TH.
5 I DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING ABOUT IT. INSTANTLY THAT FARM IS GOING
6 UP. IT IS TAKING-- THAT'S 160 ACRES. THIS IS 240. SO BY THE
7 TIME ALL OF THESE ARE APPROVED, THE PRECEDENT IS GOING TO BE
8 SET. YOU'RE GOING TO-- EVERYBODY'S GOING TO BE MOVING ALL
9 THESE INDUSTRIAL SOLAR FARMS INTO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I AM
10 OPPOSED TO CHANGING THE ZONING. OUR FOUNDING FATHERS ZONED
11 THIS AS AGRICULTURAL. IT'S ALONG THE CALIFORNIA AQUEDUCT.
12 THERE'S NOT GOING TO BE ANYMORE LAND FOR FARMING IF YOU RUIN
13 THE VALLEY WITH THESE INDUSTRIAL SOLAR FARMS. ON TOP OF THAT,
14 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, THE WESTERN SIDE OF IT IS ONE OF THE MOST
15 SIGNIFICANT MIGRATORY PATHS, BIRD PATHS IN THE WORLD. AND WE
16 ARE GOING TO BE BLOCKING A LOT OF THOSE BIRDS, INCLUDING THE
17 SWENSON HAWK AND MANY OTHERS THAT RELY ON THIS HABITAT. SO I'M
18 OPPOSED TO IT. AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE IT HAPPEN. THANK YOU
19 VERY MUCH.

20
21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

22
23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, KNABE. PRETTY FASCINATING, ACTUALLY.
24 60 PEOPLE HERE FOR THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THAT HABITAT
25 AND THREE PEOPLE HERE FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THIS



1 HABITAT. HMM. MUST HAVE BEEN-- PHONE LINES MUST HAVE BEEN
2 BUSY, COULDN'T GET IN TOUCH WITH PEOPLE. I'M MORE CONCERNED
3 ABOUT THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY
4 COMPANY. AND SIX PROJECTS WERE CONSIDERED WITH AN E.I.R., ONE
5 IS APPROVED? WHY NOT APPROVE THEM INDIVIDUALLY AS THEY GO
6 ALONG? THAT JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE, EXCEPT FROM THE PROJECT
7 DEVELOPER'S POINT OF VIEW. AND THEN AGAIN, A FEW YEARS AGO
8 THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT SOLAR UTILITIES AT THE PALMDALE
9 AIRPORT WHICH IS BASICALLY NOW A HUGE WEED GROWER. AND I DON'T
10 MEAN WEED THAT YOU SMOKE, WEED. IT'S UNDERUSED, UNDERUTILIZED.
11 AND D.W.P. HAD DISCUSSED ABOUT DOING SOMETHING SOLAR, SOME
12 SOLAR INITIATIVES THERE. SO WHERE AND HOW IS THAT PROJECT? AND
13 WHY ARE THEY DOING SOLAR PROJECTS WHERE THEY HAVE TO CHANGE
14 THE ZONING WHEN EVIDENTLY IF D.W.P. COULD DO SOLAR AT PALMDALE
15 AIRPORT THAT THAT WOULDN'T INVOLVE CHANGING THE ZONING? MAYBE
16 WE COULD GET AN ANSWER ON THAT.

17
18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE ITEM'S
19 BEFORE US.

20
21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE COMMENT THE L.A.W.A. AND
22 PALMDALE CITY AND THE COUNTY ARE WORKING TO ACQUIRE THAT
23 AIRPORT FROM L.A.W.A. AND THE HOLDUP RIGHT NOW IS WITH THE
24 U.S. DEPARTMENT, AIR FORCE. AND AS SOON AS THAT IS RESOLVED,
25 THEN PALMDALE WILL TAKE CONTROL OF THAT AIRPORT. WHAT WE HAVE



1 HERE IS ON THIS ISSUE, MR. CHAIRMAN, NO. 7, THE APPLICANT HAS
2 SIX PROJECTS, OF WHICH FIVE WERE ALREADY APPROVED IN THE A-2
3 ZONE. AND THEY WERE APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.
4 HOWEVER, THIS PROJECT REQUIRES A ZONE CHANGE. AND IF WE DO
5 THIS, THEN WE'RE SETTING A PRECEDENT TO DO ADDITIONAL
6 REZONING, AND THAT WOULD IMPACT THE PROCEDURES. AND I WOULD
7 MOVE THAT WE WOULD DENY THIS PROJECT AND DIRECT THE COUNTY
8 COUNSEL TO RETURN WITH THE FINDINGS FOR THAT DENIAL.

9

10 **LARRY HAFETZ:** SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO
11 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

14

15 **LARRY HAFETZ:** INDICATE TO DENY THE PROJECT AND TO DIRECT OUR
16 OFFICE TO PREPARE THE FINDINGS FOR DENIAL TO BRING BACK TO THE
17 BOARD AT A FUTURE BOARD MEETING.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** COULDN'T HAVE SAID IT ANY BETTER, COULD
22 YOU? HE SAID ALL THAT AFTER WE CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ABSOLUTELY.

25



1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WOULD BE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
3 ORDERED. THAT ACTION WAS DENIAL. AND THEN WITH THE CONDITIONS
4 COMING BACK, IS THAT CORRECT? OKAY.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THAT COMPLETES THE
7 PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR TODAY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. GO TO REGULAR AGENDA.
10 GENEVIEVE HELD 9, 15 AND 16. ERIC PREVEN HELD 10, 16 AND 18.
11 AND ARNOLD SACHS HELD 9 AND 15.

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
14 DISTRICT 3. MR. FLEMING, ASK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WHERE THE
15 PHOTOGRAPH FROM THE GIANT PRESENTATION THAT HE AND BELLMAN
16 HELD UP IS FROM BECAUSE WE CAN'T GET A STRAIGHT ANSWER. AND I
17 THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE WHEN YOU SHOW A BUNCH OF TERRACED
18 PROPERTIES-- THIS IS FOR THE ITEM NO. 6-- THEY BE IDENTIFIED
19 AS TO WHERE THEY ARE, BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT SPECIFIC AND IT'S
20 DISTURBING AND DECEPTIVE, I THINK. ITEM NO. 10 IS ANOTHER
21 EXAMPLE OF COUNTY THIRD DISTRICT OBFUSCATION. THIS IS
22 SOMETHING THAT EVERYBODY WOULD SUPPORT ON ITS FACE. IT'S THE
23 MALIBU TRIATHLON. OBVIOUSLY YEAR IN, YEAR OUT THEY RAISE
24 APPROXIMATELY A MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
25 AND IN THE HISTORIC IN THE LAST COUPLE YEARS FOR LEGACY PARK.



1 LEGACY PARK IS OUT NOW. THERE IS NO MORE PUBLIC GIFTING. IT'S
2 JUST GOING TO GO TO THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, WHICH AS WE ALL
3 KNOW IS A PRIVATE HOSPITAL. BUT WHAT HAS COME, UNFORTUNATELY,
4 AND THEY ARE WELL AWARE OF THIS IS THE TRANSPARENCY AND
5 REPORTING OF THIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA IS MISLEADING. IN 2011 IT
6 WAS ANNOUNCED THAT WE WERE GOING TO BE WAIVING APPROXIMATELY
7 \$95,000 IN RECEIPTS FOR THE PARKING. AND THAT CAUGHT THE
8 ATTENTION OF THIS WATCHDOG WHO ASKED TO SEE SOME OF THE BACKUP
9 AND SUPPORT JUST TO UNDERSTAND NOT BECAUSE I'M AGAINST
10 TRIATHLONS, EVERYBODY LOVES TRIATHLONS AND EVERYBODY LOVES
11 USING THE BRAND OF MALIBU. BUT I WAS UPSET BECAUSE THE FOLKS
12 WHO WERE USING THAT BRAND, NAUTICA, LONGO TOYOTA, OTHER BIG
13 SPONSORS INCLUDING EQUINOX AND SUCH, WERE DOING WITHOUT ANY
14 ADVERTISEMENT HERE IN FRONT OF THE PUBLIC, AS WE DECIDE TO
15 GIVE THEM \$100,000. SO THE NEXT YEAR I SAID PLEASE BE MORE
16 CAREFUL AND MAKE IT CLEAR AND POST IT CLEARLY. AND WHAT THEY
17 DID WAS THEY REMOVED THE REFERENCE TO THE DOLLAR AMOUNT AND
18 THAT'S HOW IT IS TODAY FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW WHICH AGAIN
19 IS MISLEADING. SO I ASKED WENDY WATANABE WHO RETIRED RECENTLY
20 TO PROVIDE JUST SOME BACKUP, NOT BECAUSE AGAIN, I'M AGAINST
21 THIS KIND OF THING, I'M FOR IT. BUT I LIKE TO SEE, WHERE IS
22 ALL THIS MONEY GOING THAT WE'RE BRINGING IN, AND FARMING OUT
23 JUST 1 MILLION IN GIFT TO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL? LONG STORY
24 SHORT, FIGURE IT OUT. SOMEBODY WANT TO GET A CLEAR ACCOUNTING
25 OF THESE MATTERS, IT'S APPROPRIATE. IT'S NOT INAPPROPRIATE.



1 AND IT SHOULD BE HANDLED IMMEDIATELY. ITEM NO. 16 IS THE
 2 COUNTY'S GRAND JURY PROGRAM. VERY EXCITING TO SEE SOME OF
 3 THEIR REPORTS. ONE THAT I THINK WE SHOULD TRACK CAREFULLY IS
 4 THEY RECOMMEND OBVIOUSLY LIKE EVERYBODY THAT RELATIVE FOSTER
 5 PARENTS SHOULD BE COMPENSATED AT THE SAME RATE AS NONRELATIVE
 6 FOSTER PARENTS. AND THERE'S A STATE S.B. 855 TO LOOK AT THAT.
 7 AND I THINK D.C.F.S. IS GOING TO REPORT BACK TO THE COUNTY
 8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HOW MUCH WE'RE GOING TO BE ON THE HOOK
 9 FOR THAT BECAUSE IT'S APPARENTLY THE STATE WHO'S COVERING SOME
 10 OF IT. AND WHATEVER THE SUM, IT'S A FIX THAT NEEDS TO BE TAKEN
 11 CARE OF. AND THIS BOARD KNOWS THAT. AND WE SHOULD NOT LOOK
 12 AWAY FROM THAT TASK. WE SHOULD GO AT IT. AND ANOTHER ONE WAS
 13 THE-- I THOUGHT IT WAS OF NOTE THAT THE STAFF AT EAST LAKE
 14 OUGHT TO BE ACCOUNTABLE-- THIS IS IN PROBATION-- FOR THE
 15 TREATMENT OF THE JUVENILES THERE. AND OF COURSE THE PROBATION
 16 DEPARTMENT IS AGREED. VERY INTERESTING. I THINK THAT WE NEED
 17 TO GO A LITTLE DEEPER. FINALLY, THERE WAS A RECOMMENDATION TO
 18 RETRAIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON USE OF FORCE. AND THE
 19 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE-- HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE
 20 C.C.J.V. HAVE ONLY BEEN PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TIME'S UP. DR. CLAVREUL?

23

24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON B, BOARD OF
 25 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ACTUALLY ITEM 9 AND 15



1 ARE VERY SIMILAR. THEY ARE ABOUT THE EXPANSION ON MANY OF THE
2 COUNTY HOSPITALS. 15 DEALING MAINLY WITH U.S.C. ADDING 150
3 BEDS AND 9, TALKING ABOUT THE EXPANSION OF HARBOR- U.C.L.A.
4 AGAIN, EXPANSION OF U.S.C. AND TALKING ABOUT A TRAUMA CENTER
5 IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. A LOT OF THE RATIONALE GIVEN
6 IS ACTUALLY COUNTER TO ALL THE NEW FINDINGS. ONE OF THE
7 ASSUMPTIONS GIVEN WAS AS MORE PEOPLE ARE ENROLLED IN HEALTH
8 COVERAGE, IN AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, MORE WOULD BE ENROLL IN
9 MEDI-CAL AND MORE WOULD BE USING THE COUNTY HEALTHCARE NETWORK
10 WILL INCREASE. THAT IS EXACTLY CONTRARY TO WHAT'S GOING TO
11 HAPPEN. SINCE WE NEVER HAVE HAD A BUDGET FROM DR. KATZ ABOUT
12 A.C.A. AND SO ON, IT'S EASY TO MAKE THOSE WRONG ASSUMPTIONS.
13 DR. DYLAN ROBBIE, A HEALTH POLICY PROFESSOR AT U.C.L.A. STATES
14 THAT THERE IS 100 FINANCIAL RISKS FOR THE COUNTY BECAUSE THOSE
15 NEW MEDI-CAL PATIENTS ARE NO LONGER TETHERED TO THE PUBLIC
16 COUNTY HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. SO THEY ARE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO
17 EXPLORE THE CARE AVAILABLE FROM OTHER DOCTORS AND OTHER
18 FACILITIES. AND ONE THING I'VE BEEN TALKING FOR A VERY LONG
19 TIME AND IT IS WHY I'VE AN E BEEN CONSTANTLY ASKING TO GET THE
20 FACTS FROM DR. KATZ, WHICH HE DOES NOT GIVE US. AND I THINK I
21 TOTALLY AGREE WITH THE EXPANSION OF U.S.C., FIRST OF ALL
22 BECAUSE THAT HOSPITAL SHOULD HAVE NEVER BEEN THAT SMALL. AND
23 WE ALL REMEMBER THE FIGHT TAKEN BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO MAKE
24 THAT HOSPITAL THE RIGHT SIZE. BUT I THINK FOR THE OTHERS, I
25 THINK IT'S LUDICROUS AND IT'S GOING TO COST US A LOT OF MONEY



1 WHERE THE NEED IS NOT THERE. ESPECIALLY ALSO NOW WE'RE TALKING
2 ABOUT THE M.L.K. TO BE 131 HOSPITALS. IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE
3 250. HOW YOU WENT FROM 250 TO 130? NOBODY NEVER TOLD US. AND
4 ON ITEM OF THE GRAND JURY, I'M ALSO VERY CONCERNED, THE
5 RESPONSE ABOUT H.I.E. TO USE CERNER AND ORCHID. THOSE ARE THE
6 WORST SYSTEM WHICH I HAVE TOLD YOU REPEATEDLY, SO I WOULD LIKE
7 YOU TO REVISE THOSE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I
12 GUESS BOTH OF THESE PROJECTS WOULD FALL UNDER THE DEFINITION
13 OF CAPITAL PROJECTS. SO I'M JUST GOING TO READ A MOTION BY
14 SUPERVISOR MOLINA FROM NOVEMBER 20, 2012. IT REFERS TO ITEM
15 11, 20 AND 21 ON THAT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING. TODAY'S
16 AGENDA ITEMS NO. 11, 20 AND 21 REQUIRE THE RELEASE OF BONDS TO
17 FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY SUPPORT
18 CENTER, ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD PROJECT AND THE RANCHO LOS
19 AMIGOS HOSPITAL CAMPUS. THESE WORTHY PROJECTS WILL ENHANCE AND
20 PROVIDE BETTER SERVICE DELIVERY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
21 RESIDENTS. THE BOND FINANCING IS A COMPLICATED PROCESS AND
22 RAISES A SERIES OF FISCAL CONCERNS RELATED TO THE USE OF BOND
23 FINANCING. THE BOARD IS OBLIGATED TO EXECUTE DECISIONS BASED
24 ON CRITICAL INFORMATION OF OUR FINANCES. ADDITIONALLY, THE
25 BOARD SHOULD ENSURE THE BONDING STRATEGY IS COMPREHENSIVE AND



1 NOT CONDUCTED IN A PIECEMEAL FASHION. I, GLORIA MOLINA,
2 THEREFORE MOVE, THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE ALONG WITH THE
3 TREASURER AND THE TAX COLLECTOR AND OTHER TARGETED
4 DEPARTMENTS, PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS TO
5 ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING: PROVIDE A BUDGET FORECAST THAT INCLUDES
6 THESE PROJECTS AND OTHER PROJECTS IN THE PIPELINE. PROVIDE THE
7 LATEST SCHEDULE ON THE COUNTY'S BOND CAPACITY. AND PROVIDE A
8 SCHEDULE ANY PROJECT THAT WOULD REQUIRE BOND FINANCING IN THE
9 NEXT TWO YEARS. I MOVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
10 C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO INCLUDE IN FUTURE BOND FINANCE BOARD
11 LETTERS A DISCUSSION OF HOW THE PROPOSED BONDS WILL IMPACT THE
12 COUNTY'S DEBT RATIO OVER THE LIFE OF THE BOND. SO, I'M HOPING
13 THAT WE GET SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE BONDING AND THE FACT
14 THAT THESE PROJECTS ARE WITHIN THE TWO-YEAR TIME FRAME, I'M
15 HOPING THAT YOU WILL MEET ALL THESE OBLIGATIONS BECAUSE WE
16 KNOW THAT YOU ARE FOCUSED AND TRUTHFUL AND ALL OTHER KINDS OF
17 STUFF, I'M REALLY RUNNING OUT OF GAS HERE. BUT NECESSARILY
18 CAPITAL PROJECTS. FINANCING. YOU HAVE A JAIL YOU WANT TO DO.
19 FINANCING. CAPITAL PROJECTS. HOW ARE THEY GOING TO BE BONDED?
20 WE HAVE YET TO HEAR ANY OF THOSE PROJECTS. AND I KNOW THAT YOU
21 PASSED THIS MOTION. I'M ALMOST POSITIVE BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HEAR
22 OTHERWISE. SO HOW DOES THAT REFLECT ON THIS INFORMATION IN
23 THESE SCHEDULED REMARKS THAT NEED TO BE COME BACK TO THE BOARD
24 WITHIN 30 DAYS OR WHATEVER WILL THEY INCLUDE THE INFORMATION
25 AS REQUESTED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA FROM THIS MOTION THAT WAS



1 MADE 11/2012. AND BY THE WAY, IT WAS A 2,677 PAGES LONG, THE
2 BOARD LETTER. HOW MUCH DOES THAT COST THE BOARD, BY THE WAY,
3 MRS. MOLINA. I KNOW YOU ASKED ERIC PREVEN ABOUT WHAT HE COST
4 THE GOVERNMENT. WHAT DID THIS COST?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TIME'S UP.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE
9 THIS BOARD. ITEMS NO. 9, 10, 15, 16 AND 18.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE
12 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU
17 HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY
18 ADJOURNMENTS? OH, EXCUSE ME. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WHILE HE FINDS
19 HIS, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, GO AHEAD.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
22 MEMORY OF RENELLE PAUL BADAJOS ALMORIN WHO TRAGICALLY DROWNED
23 AFTER HISTORICALLY SAVING TWO LIVES. RENELLE WAS THE BELOVED
24 SON OF ALAMEDA CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY STAFF MEMBER REYNALDO



1 ALIMOREN. WE SEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO REYNALDO AND HIS
2 ENTIRE FAMILY.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE NOTHING.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE SEVERAL. FIRST OF THAT WE ADJOURN
7 IN MEMORY OF RICHARD NELSON, THE HUSBAND OF MY FORMER STAFF
8 MEMBER AND CURRENT MEMBER OF PROBATION DEPARTMENT, DEBBIE
9 NELSON, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 19TH AFTER A LONG BATTLE
10 WITH CANCER. RICHARD IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DEBBIE, SON RICH.
11 WE WANT TO SEND OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO DEBBIE AND THE
12 NELSON FAMILY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GERALD EUGENE
13 BREKKEN, BROTHER OF CHRIS OLSON FROM OUR CHURCH. PASSED AWAY
14 SUDDENLY AUGUST 6TH AT THE AGE OF 59. WAS A RESIDENT TEACHER
15 UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN 2009. MEMBER OF THE EDUCATION
16 ASSOCIATION IN NEVADA, ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION. HE ALSO ENJOYED
17 READING, GARDENING AND LANDSCAPING. SURVIVED BY WIFE BRIDGETT,
18 CHILDREN JONATHAN, LEAH, JOSHUA, CATHERINE, MOTHER WANDA AND
19 10 SIBLINGS. THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY. ALSO WE
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROBERT JOSEPH CANTRELL, PASSED AWAY
21 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 93. FROM 1992 TO 1995 HE WAS THE OWNER
22 AND CAPTAIN OF INVICTA, HIS SAILBOAT, LIVED ABOARD, CRUISING
23 ALONG THE INTERCOASTAL WATERWAY, THE BAHAMAS, FLORIDA KEYS.
24 FROM 1995 TO 2010 ALTHOUGH RETIRED HE SERVED AS A MEMBER
25 CHAIRMAN OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER DESIGN REVIEW BOARD. HE WAS



1 VERY INVOLVED IN INCORPORATION, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE
2 WHITTIER AREA FIRST DAY RECOVERY HOMELESS PROGRAM IN THE CITY
3 OF WHITTIER. HE IS SURVIVED BY THREE DAUGHTERS, HELEN, JANET
4 AND CLAIR, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN, TEN GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, MANY
5 NIECES AND NEPHEWS. HE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND
6 FRIENDS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TOM REMILLARD WHO PASSED
7 AWAY AT THE AGE 64 AFTER A LONG COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH CANCER.
8 TOM SERVED AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, LEFT THE COUNTY IN 2004 AFTER A
10 33-YEAR CAREER. HE WAS A VERY ACCOMPLISHED MUSICIAN, PERFORMED
11 FREQUENTLY FOR HIS PARISH, ST. LUKE CHURCH IN TEMPLE CITY. HE
12 ENJOYED SOFTBALL, BOATING AND SPENDING TIME WITH HIS FAMILY
13 AND WONDERFUL GRANDDAUGHTER. HE SURVIVED BY WIFE JOSEFINA, SON
14 TOMMY, DAUGHTER LISA AND A GRANDDAUGHTER. ALL MEMBERS. ALSO WE
15 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GARY LEE FRANKENSTEIN WHO PASSED AWAY AT
16 THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 54 AFTER A NINE YEAR BATTLE WITH CANCER.
17 AFTER HIGH SCHOOL, GARY EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
18 INFORMATION MANAGEMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX. WORKED
19 FOR EDISON, AT&T AND SPRINT. 2005, HE OPENED HIS OWN BUSINESS.
20 HE LOVED TO HELP HIS CUSTOMERS. HE WAS A VERY HONEST AND
21 ETHICAL BUSINESSMAN. HE LOVED TO PLAY THE GUITAR, ROLLER
22 SKATE, RIDE HIS BIKE, WAS VERY ACTIVE IN LOS ALAMEDAS SEAL
23 BEACH ROTARY CLUB, AND WAS SELECTED AS THE MOST VALUABLE
24 ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR 2011. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 26
25 YEARS, BRENDA, STEPDAUGHTER JENNY, A SON ERIC, FATHER EDWARD,



1 OLDER BROTHER EDDIE. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM.
2 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALAN LANDSBURG. EMMY WINNING
3 PRODUCER AND I.C.A.N. MEMBER OF THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHO
4 PASSED AWAY IN BEVERLY HILLS AT THE AGE OF 81. HE WAS INVOLVED
5 IN MANY ON CAMPUS PRODUCTIONS. AFTER GRADUATING FROM NEW YORK
6 UNIVERSITY, SERVED IN THE ARMY. HE WAS EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS OF
7 THE T.V. MOVIE "ADAM." HE WAS VERY OBVIOUSLY INVOLVED IN
8 I.C.A.N. AND HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE. HE ALSO HELPED FOUND THE
9 FIND THE CHILDREN WAS ONE OF SEVERAL GROUPS TO LOBBY CONGRESS
10 TO PASS LEGISLATION CREATED THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING
11 AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN. HE IS SURVIVED BY THREE CHILDREN AND
12 HIS SISTER. THOSE MY ADJOURNMENTS, SO ORDERED. MIKE?

13
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
15 MEMORY OF MAX PRAGER , FATHER DENNIS PRAGER WHO PASSED AWAY ON
16 AUGUST 16TH AT THE AGE OF 96. HE HAD SERVED IN THE UNITED
17 STATES NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II AND ATTENDED CITY COLLEGE NEW
18 YORK. DENNIS HAS HAD A TRADITION OF INTERVIEWING HIS FATHER ON
19 HIS BIRTHDAY EVERY YEAR, WHICH WAS A HIGHLIGHT OF HIS
20 SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS A RADIO TALK HOST AND HE IS SURVIVED BY
21 HIS TWO CHILDREN DENNIS AND KENNETH, AMONG HIS GRANDCHILDREN.
22 SISTER ANNETTE THIBAUT, THE SISTER OF ST. JOSEPH'S OF
23 CARONDELET ORDER, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 18TH. SHE SERVED
24 37 YEARS AS A NURSE FOR DANIEL FRIEDMAN, QUEEN OF ANGELS AND
25 ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL. WAS A TUTOR AND CLASSROOM ASSISTANT FOR



1 23 YEARS. AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SISTERS AND BROTHER.
2 THAT WAS MY AUNT'S ORDER. JENNIFER STIFT OF SANTA CLARITA, A
3 SENIOR AT SAUGUS HIGH SCHOOL WAS KILLED, TRAGICALLY KILLED IN
4 A TRAFFIC COLLISION ON AUGUST 18TH AT THE AGE OF 17. SHE WAS A
5 MANAGER OF THE SWIM TEAM. SHE WAS AT EVERY MEETING CHEERING ON
6 HER TEAMMATES AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER PARENTS AND FOUR
7 SISTERS. PATRICIA JOANN GARLAND, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA
8 CLARITA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. HOMEMAKER AND K-MART
9 SALES ASSOCIATE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, TWO CHILDREN
10 AND THREE SISTERS. GERRY FREELAND, RETIRED SERGEANT OF THE LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS
12 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. MICHAEL DEMPSEY, RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST
14 18TH. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE SYBIL BRAND INSTITUTE.
15 "RECENT REPORTS HAVE TALKED ABOUT THE GROWING YOUTH
16 PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATION OF OUR FOSTER YOUTH. AND ACCORDING TO
17 OUTSIDE DATA, YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE ARE PRESCRIBED MEDICATION
18 AT A MUCH HIGHER RATE THAN ADOLESCENTS AT HOME. WHILE THE
19 STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS YET TO DEVELOP A FORMAL POLICY FOR
20 MEDICATING FOSTER YOUTH, IT IS THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO
21 ENSURE THAT WE ARE PROVIDING FOSTER YOUTH WITH THE BEST
22 POSSIBLE CARE, ESPECIALLY PROPERLY DIAGNOSING THEIR MENTAL
23 HEALTH ISSUES AND IMPROVING ONE-ON-ONE BEHAVIOR, THERAPY
24 RATHER THAN OVERMEDICATE. I WOULD MOVE THAT WE HAVE A REPORT
25 BACK. AND THAT WOULD BE THAT WE WOULD MOVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT



1 OF MENTAL HEALTH IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
2 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS ON THE USE
3 OF PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATION FOR THE YOUTH WITHIN THE LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, INCLUDING STATISTICS AND
5 DISTRIBUTION OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS AND CURRENT EFFORTS TO
6 MINIMIZE PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS THROUGH SKILLED DIAGNOSIS
7 AND THERAPEUTIC TREATMENTS AND, TWO, THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS ON THE
9 ROLE OF DEPENDENCY COURT AND AS JUDGES IN APPROVING SUCH
10 MEDICATION FOR THE CHILDREN IN THEIR CARE."

11
12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

13
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN DOCTOR WILLIAM JOHNSON WHO WAS
15 FORMER SUPERINTENDENT OF L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, I KNOW
16 HE HAD LETTERS THAT HE HAD SUBMITTED TO US ALSO WITH DR.
17 HANDLER, WHO WAS ALSO A FORMER SUPERINTENDENT ALONG WITH THEIR
18 FORMER COUNTY, THEIR LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, THAT THE CONTRACT
19 THAT THE L.A. U.S. D. HAD AWARDED WITHOUT A COMPETITIVE
20 BIDDING AND COLLUSION THAT WAS TAKING PLACE, AND YET MANY
21 TIMES HIS LETTERS TO PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND ALL FELL ON DEAF
22 EARS. WELL AS WE KNOW, IN TODAY'S PAPER INDICATES THAT THEY
23 HAVE NOW HALTED THE CONTRACT FOR THE I-PADS BECAUSE OF THE
24 PROBLEMS THAT OCCURRED RELATIVE TO PERHAPS COLLUSION OR
25 WHATEVER. BUT JUST TO SAY THAT DR. WILLIAM JOHNSON WAS DOING-



1 WHAT HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO DO WAS TO POINT OUT A VERY SERIOUS
2 PROBLEM THAT HAD OCCURRED, A MULTI-MILLION DOLLARS PROBLEM.
3 AND I JUST WANT TO CREDIT DR. JOHNSON FOR HIS VIGILANCE IN
4 FINALLY GETTING SOME JUSTICE TO EXPOSE THIS PROBLEM THAT THE
5 SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS. THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. PUBLIC COMMENTS? WE'VE-- FIRST OF
8 ALL WE HAVE ONE IN LANCASTER. CYNTHIA BEVERLY FROM PALMDALE.
9 THEN I INVITE TO THE PODIUM UP HERE. LEONARD ROSE. JESUS
10 HILARIO. ROBERT LUCAS. AND JOSE MARTINEZ. IF LANCASTER WANTS
11 TO GO AHEAD FIRST?

12

13 **CYNTHIA BEVERLY:** YES. HELLO, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
14 CYNTHIA BEVERLY. I'M SPEAKING FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I WAS
15 WANTING TO SPEAK ABOUT THE JUSTICE. ACTUALLY I HAD HELD A
16 MEETING CALLED "JUSTICE FOR ALL" IN MAY 21ST OF THIS YEAR AND
17 IT WAS CALLED "JUSTICE FOR ALL," DUE TO CRIMES AT THE TIME.
18 ACTUALLY, I WAS LOOKING AT MY SON'S CASE WHICH ACTUALLY HE
19 SUPPOSED TO BE GETTING-- HE LOOKING FACING 160 YEARS TO LIFE
20 FOR A BURGLARY CHARGE IN TORRANCE COURTS, NO WEAPONS, NO
21 PHYSICAL CONTACT WITH A PERSON, SO THAT MEANS THERE'S NO
22 VIOLENT CRIME. ANOTHER THING IS THAT I DO MANY DIFFERENT
23 THINGS OUT HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I USED TO LIVE IN
24 REDONDO BEACH, AND BACK IN 2008 I CAME TO THE BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS MEETING AND SUPERVISOR KNABE YOU HAD MR. RICK



1 VELASQUEZ TO HELP ME WITH MY HOUSING. FROM THERE I ONLY
2 ADDRESSED ISSUES THAT I HAD WALKED THE FOOTSTEPS OF. SO JUST
3 LIKE SOMETHING, I DON'T COME DOWN HERE AND JUST SPEAK. I HAVE
4 MANY DIFFERENT NEWSPAPER ARTICLES. I HELP HOLD BACKPACK EVENT
5 FOR THE LOW INCOME FAMILIES INSIDE OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. WE
6 JUST DID ONE ON AUGUST THE 9TH IN LANCASTER AND AUGUST THE
7 16TH IN PALMDALE. WE HAD 1500 PEOPLE THAT CAME OUT TO THE
8 LANCASTER EVENT AND OVER 500 PEOPLE TO THE PALMDALE EVENT.
9 I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR THE LAST PAST FOUR YEARS. I ALSO HAVE
10 AWARDS FROM THE STATE LEGISLATION STEVE FOX FOR THE CHRISTMAS
11 EVE EVENT AS WELL AS THE BACKPACK EVENTS AND I JUST RECEIVED
12 THIS AWARD ON AUGUST THE 9TH INSIDE THE PARK AS WELL. I HAD
13 MET YOUR-- I HAD MET THE INSPECTOR GENERAL WHEN I CAME DOWN
14 THERE TO A TOWN HALL MEETING IN COMPTON. I ALSO DEALT WITH THE
15 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR EQUAL JUSTICE IN AMERICA WITH THE
16 PRESIDENT, ROYCE ESTHERS. AND I HAD THEM TO DO A TOWN HALL
17 MEETING UP HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH ME AS WELL FOR THE
18 JUSTICE FOR ALL. I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE RESIDENTS OUT
19 HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, THE LOW INCOME FAMILIES. DUE TO
20 THE FACT THAT IT'S MANY LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

21
22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM, YOUR TIME'S UP. THANK YOU.



1 **CYNTHIA BEVERLY:** WELL NO ONE HAD GOT IN CONTACT WITH ME ON
2 THESE ISSUES THAT I WAS ADDRESSING FOR THE JUSTICE OF MY SON.
3 NO ONE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S HARD FOR US SINCE THE ISSUE'S
6 TORRANCE COURT FOR US TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH INTERFERING
7 WITH A JUDICIAL DECISION. THAT'S BETWEEN YOU AND YOUR
8 ATTORNEY.

9

10 **CYNTHIA BEVERLY:** ACTUALLY I DID FILE A COMPLAINT ON DEPUTY
11 KING ON 2013 AND NO ONE HAD ADDRESSED THAT, EITHER. THEY SAID
12 IT WAS STILL BEING UNDER INVESTIGATION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEN THAT WOULD BE THE STATUS, THEN. SO
15 UNTIL THAT INVESTIGATION'S FINISHED, WE WOULD NOT HAVE AN
16 UPDATE. BUT WE'LL GET AN UPDATE OR YOU'LL GET AN UPDATE ONCE
17 THE INVESTIGATION IS COMPLETE. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.
18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **CYNTHIA BEVERLY:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

23

24 **LEONARD ROSE:** YES. MY NAME LEONARD ROSE. I AM HERE TO TALK
25 ABOUT CHURCH'S OUTREACH. I RECEIVED 700 CLUB FROM PAT



1 ROBERTSON FOR THIS LADY WROTE ME A LETTER THAT WHAT YOU WANT
2 TO SEE ON A 700 CLUB. AND I WROTE DOWN WHEN YOU GET MORE
3 PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY LIKE FEED THE HOMELESS AND
4 GET PEOPLE LISTENING TO PEOPLE AND GO MINISTER TO PEOPLE AND
5 THINGS THAT WE WOULD DO, AND FOR THE LORD. AND THEN THIS PAUL
6 CROSS, WHEN HE PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 30TH, 2013, HE PASSED AWAY
7 IN A HOSPITAL AND HE AIRING THE GOSPEL ALL OVER THE WORLD 24
8 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK TRINITY BROADCASTING NETWORK
9 AND 700 CLUB, CHRISTIAN BROADCASTING NETWORK. THEY ARE AIRING
10 THE GOSPEL ALL OVER THE WORLD AND TESTIMONY AND WHAT'S GOING
11 ON AL-QAEDA AND I.S.I.S. AND THIS FOUR-YEAR-OLD BOY SAW JESUS
12 WHEN HE WENT TO HEAVEN AND HAVE SURGERY AND JESUS CAME TO MY
13 ROOM AND PRAYED FOR ME AND ANOINTED ME TO CONTINUE DOING THIS
14 THROUGH THIS MINISTRY TILL THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST. AND I
15 DO A WONDERFUL JOB SERVING OUR COMMUNITY, BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS, L.A.P.D., LONG TIME AGO. AND THEN L.A. CITY HALL
17 LONG TIME AGO. BEEN DOING THAT ABOUT 15 YEARS STRAIGHT, 1999,
18 MAY 1999 AND 2014, AND I'M INVOLVED IN SO MANY MINISTRIES,
19 LIKE CHILD WITNESS, A LOT OF PEOPLE LOOKING DOWN FROM HEAVEN
20 AND THINKING GOOD JOB. I SERVE THE GOVERNMENT AS LEADER. THANK
21 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?



1 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROBERT LUCAS. YOU
2 KNOW, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS LAST WEEK FOR
3 INTRODUCING ME TO MR. CARILLO WHO ACTUALLY RETURNED AN EMAIL
4 TO HOOK ME UP WITH THE UNITED FRIENDS OF THE CHILDREN. THAT
5 MEANT A LOT TO ME, I'M STILL TRYING TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. PLUS
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT SOME OF YOUR
7 WARDROBE THAT YOU'RE NO LONGER USING, I WOULD GLADLY
8 APPRECIATE WEARING. JUST BRING THAT IN AND I'LL PICK IT UP.
9 I'M REALLY HAPPY THAT THIS L.C.P. PASSED BECAUSE I'VE NEVER
10 GOT QUITE THE THRILL OUT OF A GLASS OF WINE THAT I GOT OUT OF
11 CLIMBING ON THE BACK OF AN 800 TO A 1200-POUND ANIMAL THERE'S
12 JUST NO COMPARISON. I DON'T RECOMMEND MIXING THE TWO. BUT IT
13 WAS VERY MOVING. I NEED TO ALSO MAKE COMMENT. YOU SAID ABOUT
14 THE PSYCHOTROPIC STUDIES. I HAD AN EXPERIENCE WITH THIS THIS
15 MORNING. WHEN PEOPLE NEGLECT SOME DUAL- DIAGNOSES INDIVIDUALS
16 THAT ARE HOUSED TOGETHER. IN MY ROOM THIS MORNING, THERE WAS
17 THREE PEOPLE WHO ARE ON PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS THAT ARE LESS THAN
18 MONITORED TO THE DEGREE THAT THEY SHOULD. THIS BROKE OUT INTO
19 SOMETHING VERY LESS THAN POSITIVE THERAPEUTIC EXPERIENCE. ONE
20 WENT TO JAIL, THE OTHER WENT TO THE HOSPITAL. AND LIVING WITH
21 THESE MEN OVER THE LAST MONTH, I'VE SEEN THE EXPERIMENTATION
22 OF THE MEDICATION UTILIZED TO HELP THESE INDIVIDUALS. I'M NOT
23 SAYING THAT THERE ISN'T CREDENCE TO WANTING TO HELP. BUT WHEN
24 NOT MONITORED OR SUPERVISED IN A CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT TO
25 OBSERVE SOME OF THE BEHAVIORS AND REACTIONS OF SOME OF THESE



1 DRUGS CAN BE LETHAL. ONE PERSON IS IN JAIL. THE OTHER HAS A
2 BROKEN CHEEK AND CUT EYE. I'LL BE BACK NEXT WEEK.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JESUS HILARIO? ETHEL JOHNSON.
5 SHELIAH WARD. ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS.

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7 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHOULD I GO AHEAD?

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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11 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
12 DISTRICT 3. WHAT I WANT TO SAY IN MY PUBLIC COMMENT TODAY IS
13 IN RELATION TO THE ROLLOUT OF THE PLANS FOR A.E.C.O.M. TO LOOK
14 AT PHASE 1 OF A GIANT JAIL CONSTRUCTION THAT THIS BOARD HAS
15 SORT OF APPROVED, I GUESS 3 OUT OF 5 VOTED FOR IT. SUPERVISOR
16 RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINED BRAVELY AND ZEV YAROSLAVSKY VOTED NO.
17 AND A COUPLE WEEKS AGO MR. FUJIOKA WHO'S NOT AROUND TODAY,
18 PUBLISHED A MEMO STATING WHAT THE PHASE 1 BEHAVIOR WOULD BE
19 LIKE AND THEY REFERRED TO A COMPANY THAT GOT ME EXCITED CALLED
20 J.F.A., WHICH IS JAMES AUSTIN'S GROUP. HE'S A GUY WHO HAS
21 WORKED FOR THE A.C.L.U. PROPOSING AN ALTERNATIVE ROAD MAP. BUT
22 THERE'S ANOTHER J.F.A.; AND THAT'S THE ONE THEY WERE REFERRING
23 TO, I SUBSEQUENTLY LEARNED BECAUSE I CHECKED. AND THEY'RE NOT
24 HIRING-- THE GROUP THAT MONITORS JAILS IS NOT HIRING J.
25 FARBSTEIN AND BRENDA EPPERLY OF C.D.C.R. IN FACT IT'S AN



1 ENGINEERING FIRM CALLED J.F.A. INC. WHO ARE IN THE BUSINESS
2 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND
3 THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. AND THEY MAY HAVE VERY WELL CONSULTED
4 ON GUANTANAMO FOR ALL I KNOW, BUT THIS IS NOT THE PEOPLE WE
5 WANT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, MONITORING AND CAREFULLY ADJUSTING
6 THE PROGRAM TO REFLECT APPROPRIATE DIVERSION AND TREATMENT OF
7 THE MENTALLY ILL. I THINK IT'S A BAIT AND SWITCH. I THINK IT'S
8 DISGUSTING THAT IT WAS PUBLISHED LIKE THAT AND I THINK THAT
9 THEY OUGHT TO CLARIFY IT AND I THINK THAT SANTOS KREIMANN IF
10 THAT'S THE ONE THAT'S HANDHOLDING THIS A.E.COM PROJECT OUGHT
11 TO WHEEL. OUT THE REAL DATA AND WHAT'S GOING ON. I'D ALSO LIKE
12 TO ASK THAT THEY NOTE THAT THE GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER ARE
13 CLIENTS OF THIS FIRM ALONG WITH MANY OTHER LAW FIRMS THAT THE
14 COUNTY, INCLUDING JONES DAY EMPLOYEES. AND I THINK THAT THIS
15 REALLY DOES NOT REFLECT WELL ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
16 EFFORT TO INFORM THE PUBLIC WITH REAL CREDIBLE INFORMATION AS
17 OPPOSED TO INFORMATION THAT'S IN STEP WITH THEIR BUSINESS
18 PLAN, OR THEIR DEVELOPMENTS PLANS.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT?

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22 **SHELIAH WARD:** GREETINGS IN THE SPIRIT OF THE MOST HIGH. I'M
23 SHELIAH WARD. I'M HERE BECAUSE I'M APPALLED. I CAME AND
24 REPORTED TO YOU. YOU PEOPLE GET PAID. I DON'T GET PAID TO COME
25 HERE AND DO THIS. I NEVER GOTTEN PAID. I DON'T GET MONEY. I'M



1 HERE FROM THE SPIRIT, FROM MY SPIRIT AND I LIVE IN THIS
2 ETHEREAL, IN THIS BODY AND I DON'T WANT TO LIVE IN A WORLD
3 THAT'S BURNED DOWN AND I CAN'T BREATHE THE SMOKE BECAUSE I
4 GREW UP IN NEW ORLEANS AND THAT PLACE WAS FLOODED BY WATER AND
5 THAT WAS BAD ENOUGH. NOW I TOLD YOU THAT JAMES BURKE WE GAVE
6 HIM AFRICAN MARKETPLACE. HE MESSED IT UP. HE PUT A FENCE
7 AROUND IT. ONLY IDIOT IN THE WORLD. HE WANTS TO BLAME YOU
8 PEOPLE, WHITE PEOPLE. IT AIN'T THE WHITE PEOPLE. WE GAVE HIM
9 AFRICAN MARKETPLACE. HE SCREWED IT UP AT DORSEY. PUT A FENCE
10 AROUND IT. CHARGED-- ONLY PERSON IN THE WORLD CHARGED SOMEBODY
11 TO ENTER THEIR OWN CULTURE. NOW AFTER HE MESSED IT UP
12 OVERCHARGED PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD TO COME AND SET UP AS A
13 VENDOR, HE'S OVER IN LEIMERT PARK. THAT'S MY MINISTRY THAT GOD
14 GAVE ME FOR FREE. I NEVER CHARGED ANYBODY. I HELPED THE PEOPLE
15 PUT KWANZAA. I HELPED WITH THE MALCOLM X CELEBRATION. I HELPED
16 WITH OTHER EVENTS. I GAVE EVERYTHING AWAY. BUT LEIMERT PARK,
17 GOD GAVE ME THE MINISTRY BECAUSE THE WHITE MAN DONATED THAT
18 PARK TO THE CITY WITH STIPULATIONS THAT ARE BEING VOIDED RIGHT
19 NOW. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PEOPLE LIKE TERRY IN THERE WITH
20 S.R.T. AND PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON
21 IN THE COMMUNITY. INSTEAD EVERYTHING ELSE IS GOING ON. THIS
22 MAN WANTS TO PUT A FENCE AROUND LEIMERT PARK. SO THERE'S A
23 DECREE IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY. WHEN THE FENCE COME UP OR WHEN
24 THE VOTE COME IN. WHAT'S THE POINT IF WE DON'T HAVE A WORLD TO
25 LIVE IN THE IT'S BURNING DOWN? THEN WHAT IS A SUPERVISOR? WHAT



1 IS A PRESIDENT IF THE WHOLE WORLD IS BURNING DOWN AND PEOPLE
2 COMING FROM OTHER COUNTRIES IN HERE TRYING TO TAKE OVER
3 BECAUSE CHAOS HAS SET AMONGST THE LAND. NOW THE KU KLUX KLAN,
4 THIS IS THE FUTURE YOU PUT ON. EVERYBODY KNOWS YOU'RE IN THE
5 BUREAUCRACY TODAY. YOUR SHERIFFS, HIGHWAY PATROL. YOUR ALL OF
6 THAT TODAY. SO GET A GRIP. IF YOU DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO DO IT
7 TO YOU, DON'T DO IT TO OTHER PEOPLE.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
12 AND LAST WEEK WAS JUST UNBELIEVABLE. THE DISCUSSION REGARDING
13 A CZAR FOR THE D.C.F.S. AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS MADE A
14 COMMENT THAT THE BOARD SHOULD NOT NEGLECT ITS LASER-LIKE FOCUS
15 AND THAT REMARK GOT ME THINKING. YOU HAVE THE AUDITOR-- AND I
16 KNOW THAT'S DANGEROUS. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE COUNTY
17 COUNSEL AND THE C.E.O. AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.
18 AGAIN THE CZAR FOR D.C.F.S. AND EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE ELECTED
19 POSITIONS, THE SHERIFF AND THE ASSESSOR SHOULD ALL HAVE LASER-
20 LIKE FOCUS INVOLVED WITH THEM. AND THIS BEING L.A. WITH ALL
21 THESE LASERS, IT WOULD BE A LASER PALOOZA. A LOSER. YOU CAN
22 GET HOLLYWOOD INVOLVED IN THIS. IT COULD BE A MR. T.
23 EXTRAVAGANZA. YOU'D HAVE 3-D GLASSES FOR 3-D ENTERTAINMENT.
24 DUMB, DUMB, DUMBER AND ALBERT DUMAS. YOU COULD HAVE A HIP HOP
25 CREW. THE GLOMO HIP HOP CREW COULD RAISE THE ROOF AND DROP IT



1 LIKE IT'S HOT. WE COULD SHOW JAY-Z AND BEYONCE JUST WHAT
2 L.A.'S ALL ABOUT. CAZ CAN BE THE BATON D.J.S, SPINNING FACTS
3 TILL YOU'RE SPUN. NO BROWN ACT VIOLATIONS, AND ALL DONE IN A
4 MANNERLY PRODUCTION. WHOOPS. BUT, AGAIN, THIS IS L.A. AND DO
5 YOU KNOW WHAT NEXT WEEK IS? THEY'RE GOING TO RAISE THE RATES
6 AT M.T.A., \$40 FOR A MONTHLY PASS FOR AN E-Z PASS. WITH YOUR
7 UNPARALLELED BUDGET CONSCIOUSNESS AND YOUR LASER- LIKE FOCUS,
8 WHERE THE HELL DID THAT COME FROM, BY THE WAY? HOW COME. WHY
9 NOT MEASURE R FUNDS? ANOTHER HALF CENT SALES TAX? MAN.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WILL YOU TAKE US INTO CLOSED
12 SESSION, PLEASE?

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14 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, THE
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO.
16 C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
17 LITIGATION AND ITEM NO. C.S.-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
18 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS
19 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE
20 NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS SCHEDULED
21 FOR SEPTEMBER 2 AT 1 O'CLOCK P.M. THANK YOU.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION AUGUST 26, 2014

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5 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

6 (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section

7 54956.9) Heriberto Rodriguez, et al. V. County of Los Angeles,

8 District Court Case No. CV 10 6342

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10 This case involves allegations of excessive force by Sheriff's

11 Department employees at Men's Central Jail. (14-3829)

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13 The Board authorized County Counsel to file an appeal in the

14 matter Heriberto Rodriguez, et al. V. County of Los Angeles.

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16 The vote of the Board was 4-0 with Supervisor Ridley-Thomas

17 being absent.

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19 There was no reportable action on item CS-2.

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